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**SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:**

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810 ILCS 5/4A-106	from Ch. 26, par. 4A-106
810 ILCS 5/4A-204	from Ch. 26, par. 4A-204
810 ILCS 5/5-103	from Ch. 26, par. 5-103
810 ILCS 5/8-102	from Ch. 26, par. 8-102
810 ILCS 5/9-102	from Ch. 26, par. 9-102

Amends the Uniform Commercial Code. Makes changes to Article 1, which deals with general provisions, in conformance with recommendations of the National Conference of Commissioners of Uniform State Laws. Makes conforming changes in other parts of the Uniform Commercial Code.

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**A BILL FOR**

1 AN ACT concerning the Uniform Commercial Code.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Uniform Commercial Code is amended by  
5 changing the heading of Article 1, Part 1 and Sections 1-101,  
6 1-102, 1-103, 1-104, 1-105, 1-106, 1-107, 1-108, and 1-109, the  
7 heading of Article 1, Part 2 and Sections 1-201, 1-202, 1-203,  
8 1-204, 1-205, 1-206, 1-207, 1-208, and 1-209 and by adding the  
9 heading of Article 1, Part 3 and Sections 1-301, 1-302, 1-303,  
10 1-304, 1-305, 1-306, 1-307, 1-308, 1-309, and 1-310 as follows:

11 (810 ILCS 5/Art. 1 Pt. 1 heading)

12 PART 1.

13 GENERAL PROVISIONS ~~SHORT TITLE, CONSTRUCTION, APPLICATION~~

14 ~~AND SUBJECT MATTER OF THE ACT~~

15 (810 ILCS 5/1-101) (from Ch. 26, par. 1-101)

16 Sec. 1-101. Short Titles. ~~Short title.~~

17 (a) This Act may be cited as the Uniform Commercial Code.

18 (b) This Article may be cited as Uniform Commercial Code -

19 General Provisions. ~~This Act shall be known and may be cited~~  
20 ~~as Uniform Commercial Code.~~

21 (Source: Laws 1961, p. 2101.)

22 (810 ILCS 5/1-102) (from Ch. 26, par. 1-102)

23 Sec. 1-102. Scope of Article. ~~Purposes, rules of~~  
24 ~~construction, variation by agreement.~~ This Article applies to a  
25 transaction to the extent that it is governed by another  
26 Article of the Uniform Commercial Code.

27 (1) ~~This Act shall be liberally construed and applied to~~  
28 ~~promote its underlying purposes and policies.~~

29 (2) ~~Underlying purposes and policies of this Act are~~

30 (a) ~~to simplify, clarify and modernize the law~~

1 ~~governing commercial transactions;~~

2 ~~(b) to permit the continued expansion of commercial~~  
3 ~~practices through custom, usage and agreement of the parties;~~

4 ~~(c) to make uniform the law among the various~~  
5 ~~jurisdictions.~~

6 ~~(3) The effect of provisions of this Act may be varied by~~  
7 ~~agreement, except as otherwise provided in this Act and except~~  
8 ~~that the obligations of good faith, diligence, reasonableness~~  
9 ~~and care prescribed by this Act may not be disclaimed by~~  
10 ~~agreement but the parties may by agreement determine the~~  
11 ~~standards by which the performance of such obligations is to be~~  
12 ~~measured if such standards are not manifestly unreasonable.~~

13 ~~(4) The presence in certain provisions of this Act of the~~  
14 ~~words "unless otherwise agreed" or words of similar import does~~  
15 ~~not imply that the effect of other provisions may not be varied~~  
16 ~~by agreement under subsection (3).~~

17 ~~(5) In this Act unless the context otherwise requires~~  
18 ~~(a) words in the singular number include the plural,~~  
19 ~~and in the plural include the singular;~~

20 ~~(b) words of the masculine gender include the feminine~~  
21 ~~and the neuter, and when the sense so indicates words of the~~  
22 ~~neuter gender may refer to any gender.~~

23 (Source: Laws 1961, p. 2101.)

24 (810 ILCS 5/1-103) (from Ch. 26, par. 1-103)

25 Sec. 1-103. Construction of Uniform Commercial Code to  
26 promote its purposes and policies; applicability of  
27 supplemental principles of law. Supplementary general  
28 principles of law applicable.

29 (a) The Uniform Commercial Code must be liberally construed  
30 and applied to promote its underlying purposes and policies,  
31 which are:

32 (1) to simplify, clarify, and modernize the law  
33 governing commercial transactions;

34 (2) to permit the continued expansion of commercial  
35 practices through custom, usage, and agreement of the

1           parties; and

2           (3) to make uniform the law among the various  
3           jurisdictions.

4           (b) Unless displaced by the particular provisions of the  
5           Uniform Commercial Code, the principles of law and equity,  
6           including the law merchant and the law relative to capacity to  
7           contract, principal and agent, estoppel, fraud,  
8           misrepresentation, duress, coercion, mistake, bankruptcy, and  
9           other validating or invalidating cause supplement its  
10          provisions.

11          ~~Unless displaced by the particular provisions of this Act,~~  
12          ~~the principles of law and equity, including the law merchant~~  
13          ~~and the law relative to capacity to contract, principal and~~  
14          ~~agent, estoppel, fraud, misrepresentation, duress, coercion,~~  
15          ~~mistake, unjust enrichment, bankruptcy, or other validating or~~  
16          ~~invalidating cause shall supplement its provisions.~~

17          (Source: P.A. 88-123.)

18          (810 ILCS 5/1-104) (from Ch. 26, par. 1-104)

19          Sec. 1-104. Construction against implied repeal.  
20          Construction against implicit repeal. The Uniform Commercial  
21          Code being a general Act intended as a unified coverage of its  
22          subject matter, no part of it shall be deemed to be impliedly  
23          repealed by subsequent legislation if such construction can  
24          reasonably be avoided.

25          ~~This Act being a general act intended as a unified coverage~~  
26          ~~of its subject matter, no part of it shall be deemed to be~~  
27          ~~impliedly repealed by subsequent legislation if such~~  
28          ~~construction can reasonably be avoided.~~

29          (Source: Laws 1961, p. 2101.)

30          (810 ILCS 5/1-105) (from Ch. 26, par. 1-105)

31          Sec. 1-105. Severability. If any provision or clause of the  
32          Uniform Commercial Code or its application to any person or  
33          circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect  
34          other provisions or applications of the Uniform Commercial Code

which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code are severable.

~~Territorial application of the Act; parties' power to choose applicable law.~~

~~(1) Except as provided in this Section, when a transaction bears a reasonable relation to this State and also to another state or nation the parties may agree that the law either of this State or of the other state or nation shall govern their rights and duties. Failing an agreement, this Act applies to transactions bearing an appropriate relation to this State.~~

~~(2) Where one of the following provisions of this Act specifies the applicable law, that provision governs and a contrary agreement is effective only to the extent permitted by the law (including the conflict of laws rules) so specified:~~

~~Rights of creditors against sold goods. Section 2-402.~~

~~Applicability of the Article on Leases. Sections 2A-105 and 2A-106.~~

~~Applicability of the Article on Bank Deposits and Collections. Section 4-102.~~

~~Governing law in the Article on Funds Transfers. Section 4A-507.~~

~~Letters of Credit. Section 5-116.~~

~~Applicability of the Article on Investment Securities. Section 8-110.~~

~~Law governing perfection, the effect of perfection or nonperfection, and the priority of security interests and agricultural liens. Sections 9-301 through 9-307.~~

29 (Source: P.A. 91-893, eff. 7-1-01.)

30 (810 ILCS 5/1-106) (from Ch. 26, par. 1-106)

31 Sec. 1-106. Use of singular and plural; gender. Remedies to  
be liberally administered. In the Uniform Commercial Code,  
unless the statutory context otherwise requires:

34 (1) words in the singular number include the plural,  
and those in the plural include the singular; and

1                   (2) words of any gender also refer to any other gender.

2                   (1) The remedies provided by this Act shall be liberally  
3                   administered to the end that the aggrieved party may be put in  
4                   as good a position as if the other party had fully performed  
5                   but neither consequential or special nor penal damages may be  
6                   had except as specifically provided in this Act or by other  
7                   rule of law.

8                   (2) Any right or obligation declared by this Act is  
9                   enforceable by action unless the provision declaring it  
10                  specifies a different and limited effect.

11                  (Source: Laws 1961, 1st SS., p. 7.)

12                  (810 ILCS 5/1-107) (from Ch. 26, par. 1-107)

13                  Sec. 1-107. Section captions. Waiver or renunciation of  
14                  claim or right after breach. Section captions are part of the  
15                  Uniform Commercial Code.

16                  Any claim or right arising out of an alleged breach can be  
17                  discharged in whole or in part without consideration by a  
18                  written waiver or renunciation signed and delivered by the  
19                  aggrieved party.

20                  (Source: Laws 1961, p. 2101.)

21                  (810 ILCS 5/1-108) (from Ch. 26, par. 1-108)

22                  Sec. 1-108. Relation to Electronic Signatures in Global and  
23                  National Commerce Act. Severability. This Act modifies,  
24                  limits, and supersedes the federal Electronic Signatures in  
25                  Global and National Commerce Act, (15 U.S.C. Section 7001, et.  
26                  seq.) but does not modify, limit, or supersede Section 101(c)  
27                  of that Act (15 U.S.C. Section 7001(c)) or authorize electronic  
28                  delivery of any of the notices described in Section 103(b) of  
29                  that Act (15 U.S.C. Section 103(b)).

30                  If any provision or clause of this Act or application  
31                  thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, such  
32                  invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of  
33                  the Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision  
34                  or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are

1 ~~declared to be severable.~~

2 (Source: Laws 1961, p. 2101.)

3 (810 ILCS 5/1-109) (from Ch. 26, par. 1-109)

4 Sec. 1-109. (Blank). ~~Section captions. Section captions~~  
5 ~~are parts of this Act.~~

6 (Source: Laws 1961, p. 2101.)

7 (810 ILCS 5/Art. 1 Pt. 2 heading)

8 PART 2-

9 GENERAL DEFINITIONS AND PRINCIPLES OF INTERPRETATION

10 (810 ILCS 5/1-201) (from Ch. 26, par. 1-201)

11 Sec. 1-201. General Definitions.

12 (a) Unless the context otherwise requires, words or phrases  
13 defined in this Section, or in the additional definitions  
14 contained in other Articles of the Uniform Commercial Code that  
15 apply to particular Articles or parts thereof, have the  
16 meanings stated.

17 (b) Subject to definitions contained in other Articles of  
18 the Uniform Commercial Code that apply to particular Articles  
19 or parts thereof:

20 (1) "Action", in the sense of a judicial proceeding,  
21 includes recoupment, counterclaim, set-off, suit in  
22 equity, and any other proceeding in which rights are  
23 determined.

24 (2) "Aggrieved party" means a party entitled to pursue  
25 a remedy.

26 (3) "Agreement", as distinguished from "contract",  
27 means the bargain of the parties in fact, as found in their  
28 language or inferred from other circumstances, including  
29 course of performance, course of dealing, or usage of trade  
30 as provided in Section 1-303.

31 (4) "Bank" means a person engaged in the business of  
32 banking and includes a savings bank, savings and loan  
33 association, credit union, and trust company.

1               (5) "Bearer" means a person in possession of a  
2               negotiable instrument, document of title, or certificated  
3               security that is payable to bearer or indorsed in blank.

4               (6) "Bill of lading" means a document evidencing the  
5               receipt of goods for shipment issued by a person engaged in  
6               the business of transporting or forwarding goods.

7               (7) "Branch" includes a separately incorporated  
8               foreign branch of a bank.

9               (8) "Burden of establishing" a fact means the burden of  
10              persuading the trier of fact that the existence of the fact  
11              is more probable than its nonexistence.

12              (9) "Buyer in ordinary course of business" means a  
13              person that buys goods in good faith, without knowledge  
14              that the sale violates the rights of another person in the  
15              goods, and in the ordinary course from a person, other than  
16              a pawnbroker, in the business of selling goods of that  
17              kind. A person buys goods in the ordinary course if the  
18              sale to the person comports with the usual or customary  
19              practices in the kind of business in which the seller is  
20              engaged or with the seller's own usual or customary  
21              practices. A person that sells oil, gas, or other minerals  
22              at the wellhead or minehead is a person in the business of  
23              selling goods of that kind. A buyer in ordinary course of  
24              business may buy for cash, by exchange of other property,  
25              or on secured or unsecured credit, and may acquire goods or  
26              documents of title under a preexisting contract for sale.  
27              Only a buyer that takes possession of the goods or has a  
28              right to recover the goods from the seller under Article 2  
29              may be a buyer in ordinary course of business. "Buyer in  
30              ordinary course of business" does not include a person that  
31              acquires goods in a transfer in bulk or as security for or  
32              in total or partial satisfaction of a money debt.

33              (10) "Conspicuous", with reference to a term, means so  
34              written, displayed, or presented that a reasonable person  
35              against which it is to operate ought to have noticed it.  
36              Whether a term is "conspicuous" or not is a decision for

1           the court. Conspicuous terms include the following:

2           (A) a heading in capitals equal to or greater in  
3           size than the surrounding text, or in contrasting type,  
4           font, or color to the surrounding text of the same or  
5           lesser size; and

6           (B) language in the body of a record or display in  
7           larger type than the surrounding text, or in  
8           contrasting type, font, or color to the surrounding  
9           text of the same size, or set off from surrounding text  
10          of the same size by symbols or other marks that call  
11          attention to the language.

12          (11) "Consumer" means an individual who enters into a  
13          transaction primarily for personal, family, or household  
14          purposes.

15          (12) "Contract", as distinguished from "agreement",  
16          means the total legal obligation that results from the  
17          parties' agreement as determined by the Uniform Commercial  
18          Code as supplemented by any other applicable laws.

19          (13) "Creditor" includes a general creditor, a secured  
20          creditor, a lien creditor, and any representative of  
21          creditors, including an assignee for the benefit of  
22          creditors, a trustee in bankruptcy, a receiver in equity,  
23          and an executor or administrator of an insolvent debtor's  
24          or assignor's estate.

25          (14) "Defendant" includes a person in the position of  
26          defendant in a counterclaim, cross-claim, or third-party  
27          claim.

28          (15) "Delivery", with respect to an instrument,  
29          document of title, or chattel paper, means voluntary  
30          transfer of possession.

31          (16) "Document of title" includes bill of lading, dock  
32          warrant, dock receipt, warehouse receipt or order for the  
33          delivery of goods, and also any other document which in the  
34          regular course of business or financing is treated as  
35          adequately evidencing that the person in possession of it  
36          is entitled to receive, hold, and dispose of the document

1       and the goods it covers. To be a document of title, a  
2       document must purport to be issued by or addressed to a  
3       bailee and purport to cover goods in the bailee's  
4       possession which are either identified or are fungible  
5       portions of an identified mass.

6       (17) "Fault" means a default, breach, or wrongful act  
7       or omission.

8       (18) "Fungible goods" means:

9       (A) goods of which any unit, by nature or usage of  
10      trade, is the equivalent of any other like unit; or

11      (B) goods that by agreement are treated as  
12      equivalent.

13      (19) "Genuine" means free of forgery or  
14      counterfeiting.

15      (20) "Good faith," except as otherwise provided in  
16      Article 5, means honesty in fact and the observance of  
17      reasonable commercial standards of fair dealing.

18      (21) "Holder" means:

19      (A) the person in possession of a negotiable  
20      instrument that is payable either to bearer or to an  
21      identified person that is the person in possession; or

22      (B) the person in possession of a document of title  
23      if the goods are deliverable either to bearer or to the  
24      order of the person in possession.

25      (22) "Insolvency proceeding" includes an assignment  
26      for the benefit of creditors or other proceeding intended  
27      to liquidate or rehabilitate the estate of the person  
28      involved.

29      (23) "Insolvent" means:

30      (A) having generally ceased to pay debts in the  
31      ordinary course of business other than as a result of  
32      bona fide dispute;

33      (B) being unable to pay debts as they become due;  
34      or

35      (C) being insolvent within the meaning of federal  
36      bankruptcy law.

1               (24) "Money" means a medium of exchange currently  
2               authorized or adopted by a domestic or foreign government.  
3               The term includes a monetary unit of account established by  
4               an intergovernmental organization or by agreement between  
5               two or more countries.

6               (25) "Organization" means a person other than an  
7               individual.

8               (26) "Party", as distinguished from "third party",  
9               means a person that has engaged in a transaction or made an  
10               agreement subject to the Uniform Commercial Code.

11               (27) "Person" means an individual, corporation,  
12               business trust, estate, trust, partnership, limited  
13               liability company, association, joint venture, government,  
14               governmental subdivision, agency, or instrumentality,  
15               public corporation, or any other legal or commercial  
16               entity.

17               (28) "Present value" means the amount as of a date  
18               certain of one or more sums payable in the future,  
19               discounted to the date certain by use of either an interest  
20               rate specified by the parties if that rate is not  
21               manifestly unreasonable at the time the transaction is  
22               entered into or, if an interest rate is not so specified, a  
23               commercially reasonable rate that takes into account the  
24               facts and circumstances at the time the transaction is  
25               entered into.

26               (29) "Purchase" means taking by sale, lease, discount,  
27               negotiation, mortgage, pledge, lien, security interest,  
28               issue or reissue, gift, or any other voluntary transaction  
29               creating an interest in property.

30               (30) "Purchaser" means a person that takes by purchase.

31               (31) "Record" means information that is inscribed on a  
32               tangible medium or that is stored in an electronic or other  
33               medium and is retrievable in perceivable form.

34               (32) "Remedy" means any remedial right to which an  
35               aggrieved party is entitled with or without resort to a  
36               tribunal.

1               (33) "Representative" means a person empowered to act  
2               for another, including an agent, an officer of a  
3               corporation or association, and a trustee, executor, or  
4               administrator of an estate.

5               (34) "Right" includes remedy.

6               (35) "Security interest" means an interest in personal  
7               property or fixtures which secures payment or performance  
8               of an obligation. "Security interest" includes any  
9               interest of a consignor and a buyer of accounts, chattel  
10               paper, a payment intangible, or a promissory note in a  
11               transaction that is subject to Article 9. "Security  
12               interest" does not include the special property interest of  
13               a buyer of goods on identification of those goods to a  
14               contract for sale under Section 2-401, but a buyer may also  
15               acquire a "security interest" by complying with Article 9.  
16               Except as otherwise provided in Section 2-505, the right of  
17               a seller or lessor of goods under Article 2 or 2A to retain  
18               or acquire possession of the goods is not a "security  
19               interest", but a seller or lessor may also acquire a  
20               "security interest" by complying with Article 9. The  
21               retention or reservation of title by a seller of goods  
22               notwithstanding shipment or delivery to the buyer under  
23               Section 2-401 is limited in effect to a reservation of a  
24               "security interest." Whether a transaction in the form of a  
25               lease creates a "security interest" is determined pursuant  
26               to Section 1-203.

27               (36) "Send" in connection with a writing, record, or  
28               notice means:

29               (A) to deposit in the mail or deliver for  
30               transmission by any other usual means of communication  
31               with postage or cost of transmission provided for and  
32               properly addressed and, in the case of an instrument,  
33               to an address specified thereon or otherwise agreed, or  
34               if there be none to any address reasonable under the  
35               circumstances; or

36               (B) in any other way to cause to be received any

1           record or notice within the time it would have arrived  
2           if properly sent.

3           (37) "Signed" includes using any symbol executed or  
4           adopted with present intention to adopt or accept a  
5           writing.

6           (38) "State" means a State of the United States, the  
7           District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin  
8           Islands, or any territory or insular possession subject to  
9           the jurisdiction of the United States.

10          (39) "Surety" includes a guarantor or other secondary  
11          obligor.

12          (40) "Term" means a portion of an agreement that  
13          relates to a particular matter.

14          (41) "Unauthorized signature" means a signature made  
15          without actual, implied, or apparent authority. The term  
16          includes a forgery.

17          (42) "Warehouse receipt" means a receipt issued by a  
18          person engaged in the business of storing goods for hire.

19          (43) "Writing" includes printing, typewriting, or any  
20          other intentional reduction to tangible form. "Written"  
21          has a corresponding meaning.

22          Subject to additional definitions contained in the subsequent  
23          Articles of this Act which are applicable to specific Articles  
24          or Parts thereof, and unless the context otherwise requires, in  
25          this Act:

26          (1) "Action" in the sense of a judicial proceeding includes  
27          recoupment, counterclaim, set off, suit in equity and any other  
28          proceedings in which rights are determined.

29          (2) "Aggrieved party" means a party entitled to resort to a  
30          remedy.

31          (3) "Agreement" means the bargain of the parties in fact as  
32          found in their language or by implication from other  
33          circumstances including course of dealing or usage of trade or  
34          course of performance as provided in this Act (Sections 1-205,  
35          2-208, and 2A-207). Whether an agreement has legal consequences  
36          is determined by the provisions of this Act, if applicable,

1 otherwise by the law of contracts (Section 1-103). (Compare  
2 "Contract".)

3 (4) "Bank" means any person engaged in the business of  
4 banking.

5 (5) "Bearer" means the person in possession of an  
6 instrument, document of title, or certificated security  
7 payable to bearer or indorsed in blank.

8 (6) "Bill of lading" means a document evidencing the  
9 receipt of goods for shipment issued by a person engaged in the  
10 business of transporting or forwarding goods, and includes an  
11 airbill. "Airbill" means a document serving for air  
12 transportation as a bill of lading does for marine or rail  
13 transportation, and includes an air consignment note or air  
14 waybill.

15 (7) "Branch" includes a separately incorporated foreign  
16 branch of a bank.

17 (8) "Burden of establishing" a fact means the burden of  
18 persuading the triers of fact that the existence of the fact is  
19 more probable than its non existence.

20 (9) "Buyer in ordinary course of business" means a person  
21 that buys goods in good faith, without knowledge that the sale  
22 violates the rights of another person in the goods, and in the  
23 ordinary course from a person, other than a pawnbroker, in the  
24 business of selling goods of that kind. A person buys goods in  
25 the ordinary course if the sale to the person comports with the  
26 usual or customary practices in the kind of business in which  
27 the seller is engaged or with the seller's own usual or  
28 customary practices. A person that sells oil, gas, or other  
29 minerals at the wellhead or minehead is a person in the  
30 business of selling goods of that kind. A buyer in ordinary  
31 course of business may buy for cash, by exchange of other  
32 property, or on secured or unsecured credit, and may acquire  
33 goods or documents of title under a pre-existing contract for  
34 sale. Only a buyer that takes possession of the goods or has a  
35 right to recover the goods from the seller under Article 2 may  
36 be a buyer in ordinary course of business. A person that

1       ~~acquires goods in a transfer in bulk or as security for or in~~  
2       ~~total or partial satisfaction of a money debt is not a buyer in~~  
3       ~~ordinary course of business.~~

4       ~~(10) "Conspicuous": A term or clause is conspicuous when it~~  
5       ~~is so written that a reasonable person against whom it is to~~  
6       ~~operate ought to have noticed it. A printed heading in capitals~~  
7       ~~(as: NON NEGOTIABLE BILL OF LADING) is conspicuous. Language in~~  
8       ~~the body of a form is "conspicuous" if it is in larger or other~~  
9       ~~contrasting type or color. But in a telegram any stated term is~~  
10      ~~"conspicuous". Whether a term or clause is "conspicuous" or not~~  
11      ~~is for decision by the court.~~

12      ~~(11) "Contract" means the total legal obligation which~~  
13      ~~results from the parties' agreement as affected by this Act and~~  
14      ~~any other applicable rules of law. (Compare "Agreement".)~~

15      ~~(12) "Creditor" includes a general creditor, a secured~~  
16      ~~creditor, a lien creditor and any representative of creditors,~~  
17      ~~including an assignee for the benefit of creditors, a trustee~~  
18      ~~in bankruptcy, a receiver in equity and an executor or~~  
19      ~~administrator of an insolvent debtor's or assignor's estate.~~

20      ~~(13) "Defendant" includes a person in the position of~~  
21      ~~defendant in a cross-action or counterclaim.~~

22      ~~(14) "Delivery" with respect to instruments, documents of~~  
23      ~~title, chattel paper or certificated securities means~~  
24      ~~voluntary transfer of possession.~~

25      ~~(15) "Document of title" includes bill of lading, dock~~  
26      ~~warrant, dock receipt, warehouse receipt or order for the~~  
27      ~~delivery of goods, and also any other document which in the~~  
28      ~~regular course of business or financing is treated as~~  
29      ~~adequately evidencing that the person in possession of it is~~  
30      ~~entitled to receive, hold and dispose of the document and the~~  
31      ~~goods it covers. To be a document of title a document must~~  
32      ~~purport to be issued by or addressed to a bailee and purport to~~  
33      ~~cover goods in the bailee's possession which are either~~  
34      ~~identified or are fungible portions of an identified mass.~~

35      ~~(16) "Fault" means wrongful act, omission or breach.~~

36      ~~(17) "Fungible" with respect to goods or securities means~~

1 goods or securities of which any unit is, by nature or usage of  
2 trade, the equivalent of any other like unit. Goods which are  
3 not fungible shall be deemed fungible for the purposes of this  
4 Act to the extent that under a particular agreement or document  
5 unlike units are treated as equivalents.

6 (18) "Genuine" means free of forgery or counterfeiting.

7 (19) "Good faith" means honesty in fact in the conduct or  
8 transaction concerned.

9 (20) "Holder" with respect to a negotiable instrument means  
10 the person in possession if the instrument is payable to bearer  
11 or, in the case of an instrument payable to an identified  
12 person, if the identified person is in possession. "Holder"  
13 with respect to a document of title means the person in  
14 possession if the goods are deliverable to bearer or to the  
15 order of the person in possession.

16 (21) To "honor" is to pay or accept and pay, or where a  
17 credit so engages to purchase or discount a draft complying  
18 with the terms of the credit.

19 (22) "Insolvency proceedings" includes any assignment for  
20 the benefit of creditors or other proceedings intended to  
21 liquidate or rehabilitate the estate of the person involved.

22 (23) A person is "insolvent" who either has ceased to pay  
23 his debts in the ordinary course of business or cannot pay his  
24 debts as they become due or is insolvent within the meaning of  
25 the federal bankruptcy law.

26 (24) "Money" means a medium of exchange authorized or  
27 adopted by a domestic or foreign government and includes a  
28 monetary unit of account established by an intergovernmental  
29 organization or by agreement between 2 or more nations.

30 (25) A person has "notice" of a fact when

31 (a) he has actual knowledge of it; or

32 (b) he has received a notice or notification of it; or

33 (c) from all the facts and circumstances known to him  
34 at the time in question he has reason to know that it  
35 exists. A person "knows" or has "knowledge" of a fact when  
36 he has actual knowledge of it. "Discover" or "learn" or a

1 word or phrase of similar import refers to knowledge rather  
2 than to reason to know. The time and circumstances under  
3 which a notice or notification may cease to be effective  
4 are not determined by this Act.

5 (26) A person "notifies" or "gives" a notice or  
6 notification to another by taking such steps as may be  
7 reasonably required to inform the other in ordinary course  
8 whether or not such other actually comes to know of it. A  
9 person "receives" a notice or notification when

10 (a) it comes to his attention; or  
11 (b) it is duly delivered at the place of business  
12 through which the contract was made or at any other place  
13 held out by him as the place for receipt of such  
14 communications.

15 (27) Notice, knowledge or a notice or notification received  
16 by an organization is effective for a particular transaction  
17 from the time when it is brought to the attention of the  
18 individual conducting that transaction, and in any event from  
19 the time when it would have been brought to his attention if  
20 the organization had exercised due diligence. An organization  
21 exercises due diligence if it maintains reasonable routines for  
22 communicating significant information to the person conducting  
23 the transaction and there is reasonable compliance with the  
24 routines. Due diligence does not require an individual acting  
25 for the organization to communicate information unless such  
26 communication is part of his regular duties or unless he has  
27 reason to know of the transaction and that the transaction  
28 would be materially affected by the information.

29 (28) "Organization" includes a corporation, government or  
30 governmental subdivision or agency, business trust, estate,  
31 trust, partnership or association, two or more persons having a  
32 joint or common interest, or any other legal or commercial  
33 entity.

34 (29) "Party", as distinct from "third party", means a  
35 person who has engaged in a transaction or made an agreement  
36 within this Act.

1       (30) "Person" includes an individual or an organization  
2 (see Section 1-102).

3       (31) "Presumption" or "presumed" means that the trier of  
4 fact must find the existence of the fact presumed unless and  
5 until evidence is introduced which would support a finding of  
6 its non existence.

7       (32) "Purchase" includes taking by sale, discount,  
8 negotiation, mortgage, pledge, lien, security interest, issue  
9 or reissue, gift or any other voluntary transaction creating an  
10 interest in property.

11       (33) "Purchaser" means a person who takes by purchase.

12       (34) "Remedy" means any remedial right to which an  
13 aggrieved party is entitled with or without resort to a  
14 tribunal.

15       (35) "Representative" includes an agent, an officer of a  
16 corporation or association, and a trustee, executor or  
17 administrator of an estate, or any other person empowered to  
18 act for another.

19       (36) "Rights" includes remedies.

20       (37) "Security interest" means an interest in personal  
21 property or fixtures which secures payment or performance of an  
22 obligation. The term also includes any interest of a consignor  
23 and a buyer of accounts, chattel paper, a payment intangible,  
24 or a promissory note in a transaction that is subject to  
25 Article 9. The special property interest of a buyer of goods on  
26 identification of those goods to a contract for sale under  
27 Section 2-401 is not a "security interest", but a buyer may  
28 also acquire a "security interest", by complying with Article  
29 9. Except as otherwise provided in Section 2-505, the right of  
30 a seller or lessor of goods under Article 2 or 2A to retain or  
31 acquire possession of the goods is not a "security interest",  
32 but a seller or lessor may also acquire a "security interest"  
33 by complying with Article 9. The retention or reservation of  
34 title by a seller of goods notwithstanding shipment or delivery  
35 to the buyer (Section 2-401) is limited in effect to a  
36 reservation of a "security interest".

1       Whether a transaction creates a lease or security interest  
2 is determined by the facts of each case; however, a transaction  
3 creates a security interest if the consideration the lessee is  
4 to pay the lessor for the right to possession and use of the  
5 goods is an obligation for the term of the lease not subject to  
6 termination by the lessee; and

7           (a) the original term of the lease is equal to or  
8 greater than the remaining economic life of the goods;

9           (b) the lessee is bound to renew the lease for the  
10 remaining economic life of the goods or is bound to become  
11 the owner of the goods;

12           (c) the lessee has an option to renew the lease for the  
13 remaining economic life of the goods for no additional  
14 consideration or nominal additional consideration upon  
15 compliance with the lease agreement; or

16           (d) the lessee has an option to become the owner of the  
17 goods for no additional consideration or nominal  
18 additional consideration upon compliance with the lease  
19 agreement.

20       A transaction does not create a security interest merely  
21 because it provides that:

22           (a) the present value of the consideration the lessee  
23 is obligated to pay the lessor for the right to possession  
24 and use of the goods is substantially equal to or is  
25 greater than the fair market value of the goods at the time  
26 the lease is entered into;

27           (b) the lessee assumes risk of loss of the goods, or  
28 agrees to pay taxes, insurance, filing, recording, or  
29 registration fees, or service or maintenance costs with  
30 respect to the goods;

31           (c) the lessee has an option to renew the lease or to  
32 become the owner of the goods;

33           (d) the lessee has an option to renew the lease for a  
34 fixed rent that is equal to or greater than the reasonably  
35 predictable fair market rent for the use of the goods for  
36 the term of the renewal at the time the option is to be

1           performed; or

2           (e) the lessee has an option to become the owner of the  
3           goods for a fixed price that is equal to or greater than  
4           the reasonably predictable fair market value of the goods  
5           at the time the option is to be performed.

6           For purposes of this subsection (37):

7           (x) Additional consideration is not nominal if (i) when  
8           the option to renew the lease is granted to the lessee the  
9           rent is stated to be the fair market rent for the use of  
10          the goods for the term of the renewal determined at the  
11          time the option is to be performed, or (ii) when the option  
12          to become the owner of the goods is granted to the lessee  
13          the price is stated to be the fair market value of the  
14          goods determined at the time the option is to be performed.  
15          Additional consideration is nominal if it is less than the  
16          lessee's reasonably predictable cost of performing under  
17          the lease agreement if the option is not exercised;

18           (y) "Reasonably predictable" and "remaining economic  
19          life of the goods" are to be determined with reference to  
20          the facts and circumstances at the time the transaction is  
21          entered into; and

22           (z) "Present value" means the amount as of a date  
23          certain of one or more sums payable in the future,  
24          discounted to the date certain. The discount is determined  
25          by the interest rate specified by the parties if the rate  
26          is not manifestly unreasonable at the time the transaction  
27          is entered into; otherwise, the discount is determined by a  
28          commercially reasonable rate that takes into account the  
29          facts and circumstances as of each case at the time the  
30          transaction was entered into.

31           (38) "Send" in connection with any writing or notice means  
32          to deposit in the mail or deliver for transmission by any other  
33          usual means of communication with postage or cost of  
34          transmission provided for and properly addressed and in the  
35          case of an instrument to an address specified thereon or  
36          otherwise agreed, or if there be none to any address reasonable

1 under the circumstances. The receipt of any writing or notice  
2 within the time at which it would have arrived if properly sent  
3 has the effect of a proper sending.

4 (39) "Signed" includes any symbol executed or adopted by a  
5 party with present intention to authenticate a writing.

6 (40) "Surety" includes guarantor.

7 (41) "Telegram" includes a message transmitted by radio,  
8 teletype, cable, any mechanical method of transmission, or the  
9 like.

10 (42) "Term" means that portion of an agreement which  
11 relates to a particular matter.

12 (43) "Unauthorized" signature means one made without  
13 actual, implied, or apparent authority and includes a forgery.

14 (44) "Value". Except as otherwise provided with respect to  
15 negotiable instruments and bank collections (Sections 3-303,  
16 4-210, and 4-211), a person gives "value" for rights if he  
17 acquires them.

18 (a) in return for a binding commitment to extend credit  
19 or for the extension of immediately available credit  
20 whether or not drawn upon and whether or not a charge back  
21 is provided for in the event of difficulties in collection;  
22 or

23 (b) as security for or in total or partial satisfaction  
24 of a pre-existing claim; or

25 (c) by accepting delivery pursuant to a pre-existing  
26 contract for purchase; or

27 (d) generally, in return for any consideration  
28 sufficient to support a simple contract.

29 (45) "Warehouse receipt" means a receipt issued by a person  
30 engaged in the business of storing goods for hire.

31 (46) "Written" or "writing" includes printing, typewriting  
32 or any other intentional reduction to tangible form.

33 (Source: P.A. 91-893, eff. 7-1-01.)

34 (810 ILCS 5/1-202) (from Ch. 26, par. 1-202)

35 Sec. 1-202. Notice; knowledge. Prima facie evidence by

1 ~~third party documents.~~

2       (a) Subject to subsection (f), a person has "notice" of a  
3       fact if the person:

- 4               (1) has actual knowledge of it;  
5               (2) has received a notice or notification of it; or  
6               (3) from all the facts and circumstances known to the  
7       person at the time in question, has reason to know that it  
8       exists.

9       (b) "Knowledge" means actual knowledge. "Knows" has a  
10      corresponding meaning.

11      (c) "Discover", "learn", or words of similar import refer  
12      to knowledge rather than to reason to know.

13      (d) A person "notifies" or "gives" a notice or notification  
14      to another person by taking such steps as may be reasonably  
15      required to inform the other person in ordinary course, whether  
16      or not the other person actually comes to know of it.

17      (e) Subject to subsection (f), a person "receives" a notice  
18      or notification when:

- 19               (1) it comes to that person's attention; or  
20               (2) it is duly delivered in a form reasonable under the  
21       circumstances at the place of business through which the  
22       contract was made or at another location held out by that  
23       person as the place for receipt of such communications.

24      (f) Notice, knowledge, or a notice or notification received  
25      by an organization is effective for a particular transaction  
26      from the time it is brought to the attention of the individual  
27      conducting that transaction and, in any event, from the time it  
28      would have been brought to the individual's attention if the  
29      organization had exercised due diligence. An organization  
30      exercises due diligence if it maintains reasonable routines for  
31      communicating significant information to the person conducting  
32      the transaction and there is reasonable compliance with the  
33      routines. Due diligence does not require an individual acting  
34      for the organization to communicate information unless the  
35      communication is part of the individual's regular duties or the  
36      individual has reason to know of the transaction and that the

1 transaction would be materially affected by the information.

2 ~~A document in due form purporting to be a bill of lading,~~  
3 ~~policy or certificate of insurance, official weigher's or~~  
4 ~~inspector's certificate, consular invoice, or any other~~  
5 ~~document authorized or required by the contract to be issued by~~  
6 ~~a third party shall be prima facie evidence of its own~~  
7 ~~authenticity and genuineness and of the facts stated in the~~  
8 ~~document by the third party.~~

9 (Source: Laws 1961, p. 2101.)

10 (810 ILCS 5/1-203) (from Ch. 26, par. 1-203)

11 Sec. 1-203. Lease distinguished from security interest.

12 ~~Obligation of good faith.~~

13 (a) Whether a transaction in the form of a lease creates a  
14 lease or security interest is determined by the facts of each  
15 case.

16 (b) A transaction in the form of a lease creates a security  
17 interest if the consideration that the lessee is to pay the  
18 lessor for the right to possession and use of the goods is an  
19 obligation for the term of the lease and is not subject to  
20 termination by the lessee, and:

21 (1) the original term of the lease is equal to or  
22 greater than the remaining economic life of the goods;

23 (2) the lessee is bound to renew the lease for the  
24 remaining economic life of the goods or is bound to become  
25 the owner of the goods;

26 (3) the lessee has an option to renew the lease for the  
27 remaining economic life of the goods for no additional  
28 consideration or for nominal additional consideration upon  
29 compliance with the lease agreement; or

30 (4) the lessee has an option to become the owner of the  
31 goods for no additional consideration or for nominal  
32 additional consideration upon compliance with the lease  
33 agreement.

34 (c) A transaction in the form of a lease does not create a  
35 security interest merely because:

1           (1) the present value of the consideration the lessee  
2           is obligated to pay the lessor for the right to possession  
3           and use of the goods is substantially equal to or is  
4           greater than the fair market value of the goods at the time  
5           the lease is entered into;

6           (2) the lessee assumes risk of loss of the goods;

7           (3) the lessee agrees to pay, with respect to the  
8           goods, taxes, insurance, filing, recording, or  
9           registration fees, or service or maintenance costs;

10          (4) the lessee has an option to renew the lease or to  
11          become the owner of the goods;

12          (5) the lessee has an option to renew the lease for a  
13          fixed rent that is equal to or greater than the reasonably  
14          predictable fair market rent for the use of the goods for  
15          the term of the renewal at the time the option is to be  
16          performed; or

17          (6) the lessee has an option to become the owner of the  
18          goods for a fixed price that is equal to or greater than  
19          the reasonably predictable fair market value of the goods  
20          at the time the option is to be performed.

21          (d) Additional consideration is nominal if it is less than  
22          the lessee's reasonably predictable cost of performing under  
23          the lease agreement if the option is not exercised. Additional  
24          consideration is not nominal if:

25           (1) when the option to renew the lease is granted to  
26           the lessee, the rent is stated to be the fair market rent  
27           for the use of the goods for the term of the renewal  
28           determined at the time the option is to be performed; or

29           (2) when the option to become the owner of the goods is  
30           granted to the lessee, the price is stated to be the fair  
31           market value of the goods determined at the time the option  
32           is to be performed.

33          (e) The "remaining economic life of the goods" and  
34          "reasonably predictable" fair market rent, fair market value,  
35          or cost of performing under the lease agreement must be  
36          determined with reference to the facts and circumstances at the

1       time the transaction is entered into.

2       ~~Every contract or duty within this Act imposes an~~  
3       ~~obligation of good faith in its performance or enforcement.~~

4       (Source: Laws 1961, p. 2101.)

5               (810 ILCS 5/1-204) (from Ch. 26, par. 1-204)

6       Sec. 1-204. Value. Time; reasonable time; "seasonably".  
7       Except as otherwise provided in Articles 3, 4, 5, and 6, a  
8       person gives value for rights if the person acquires them:

9               (1) in return for a binding commitment to extend credit  
10          or for the extension of immediately available credit,  
11          whether or not drawn upon and whether or not a charge-back  
12          is provided for in the event of difficulties in collection;

13               (2) as security for, or in total or partial  
14          satisfaction of, a preexisting claim;

15               (3) by accepting delivery under a preexisting contract  
16          for purchase; or

17               (4) in return for any consideration sufficient to  
18          support a simple contract.

19       ~~(1) Whenever this Act requires any action to be taken~~  
20          ~~within a reasonable time, any time which is not manifestly~~  
21          ~~unreasonable may be fixed by agreement.~~

22       ~~(2) What is a reasonable time for taking any action depends~~  
23          ~~on the nature, purpose and circumstances of such action.~~

24       ~~(3) An action is taken "seasonably" when it is taken at or~~  
25          ~~within the time agreed or if no time is agreed at or within~~  
26          ~~reasonable time.~~

27       (Source: Laws 1961, p. 2101.)

28               (810 ILCS 5/1-205) (from Ch. 26, par. 1-205)

29       Sec. 1-205. Reasonable time; seasonableness. Course of  
30          dealing and usage of trade.

31               (a) Whether a time for taking an action required by the  
32          Uniform Commercial Code is reasonable depends on the nature,  
33          purpose, and circumstances of the action.

34               (b) An action is taken seasonably if it is taken at or

1       within the time agreed or, if no time is agreed, at or within a  
2       reasonable time.

3       (1) ~~A course of dealing is a sequence of previous conduct~~  
4       ~~between the parties to a particular transaction which is fairly~~  
5       ~~to be regarded as establishing a common basis of understanding~~  
6       ~~for interpreting their expressions and other conduct.~~

7       (2) ~~A usage of trade is any practice or method of dealing~~  
8       ~~having such regularity of observance in a place, vocation or~~  
9       ~~trade as to justify an expectation that it will be observed~~  
10       ~~with respect to the transaction in question. The existence and~~  
11       ~~scope of such a usage are to be proved as facts. If it is~~  
12       ~~established that such a usage is embodied in a written trade~~  
13       ~~code or similar writing the interpretation of the writing is~~  
14       ~~for the court.~~

15       (3) ~~A course of dealing between parties and any usage of~~  
16       ~~trade in the vocation or trade in which they are engaged or of~~  
17       ~~which they are or should be aware give particular meaning to~~  
18       ~~and supplement or qualify terms of an agreement.~~

19       (4) ~~The express terms of an agreement and an applicable~~  
20       ~~course of dealing or usage of trade shall be construed wherever~~  
21       ~~reasonable as consistent with each other; but when such~~  
22       ~~construction is unreasonable express terms control both course~~  
23       ~~of dealing and usage of trade and course of dealing controls~~  
24       ~~usage of trade.~~

25       (5) ~~An applicable usage of trade in the place where any~~  
26       ~~part of performance is to occur shall be used in interpreting~~  
27       ~~the agreement as to that part of the performance.~~

28       (6) ~~Evidence of a relevant usage of trade offered by one~~  
29       ~~party is not admissible unless and until he has given the other~~  
30       ~~party such notice as the court finds sufficient to prevent~~  
31       ~~unfair surprise to the latter.~~

32       (Source: Laws 1961, p. 2101.)

33       (810 ILCS 5/1-206) (from Ch. 26, par. 1-206)

34       Sec. 1-206. ~~Presumptions. Statute of frauds for kinds of~~  
35       ~~personal property not otherwise covered. Whenever the Uniform~~

1       Commercial Code creates a "presumption" with respect to a fact,  
2       or provides that a fact is "presumed," the trier of fact must  
3       find the existence of the fact unless and until evidence is  
4       introduced that supports a finding of its nonexistence.

5       ~~(1) Except in the cases described in subsection (2) of this~~  
6       ~~Section a contract for the sale of personal property is not~~  
7       ~~enforceable by way of action or defense beyond \$5,000 in amount~~  
8       ~~or value of remedy unless there is some writing which indicates~~  
9       ~~that a contract for sale has been made between the parties at a~~  
10       ~~defined or stated price, reasonably identifies the subject~~  
11       ~~matter, and is signed by the party against whom enforcement is~~  
12       ~~sought or by his authorized agent.~~

13       ~~(2) Subsection (1) of this Section does not apply to~~  
14       ~~contracts for the sale of goods (Section 2-201) nor of~~  
15       ~~securities (Section 8-113) nor to security agreements (Section~~  
16       ~~9-203).~~

17       (Source: P.A. 89-364, eff. 1-1-96.)

18                                  (810 ILCS 5/1-207) (from Ch. 26, par. 1-207)

19       Sec. 1-207. (Blank). Performance or acceptance under  
20       reservation of rights.

21       ~~(1) A party who, with explicit reservation of rights,~~  
22       ~~performs or promises performance or assents to performance in a~~  
23       ~~manner demanded or offered by the other party does not thereby~~  
24       ~~prejudice the rights reserved. Such words as "without~~  
25       ~~prejudice", "under protest" or the like are sufficient.~~

26       ~~(2) Subsection (1) does not apply to an accord and~~  
27       ~~satisfaction.~~

28       (Source: P.A. 87-582.)

29                                  (810 ILCS 5/1-208) (from Ch. 26, par. 1-208)

30       Sec. 1-208. (Blank). Option to Accelerate at Will.

31       ~~A term providing that one party or his successor in~~  
32       ~~interest may accelerate payment or performance or require~~  
33       ~~collateral or additional collateral "at will" or "when he deems~~  
34       ~~himself insecure" or in words of similar import shall be~~

1     ~~construed to mean that he shall have power to do so only if he~~  
2     ~~in good faith believes that the prospect of payment or~~  
3     ~~performance is impaired. The burden of establishing lack of~~  
4     ~~good faith is on the party against whom the power has been~~  
5     ~~exercised.~~

6     (Source: Laws 1961, 1st SS., p. 7.)

7                 (810 ILCS 5/1-209) (from Ch. 26, par. 1-209)

8     Sec. 1-209. (Blank). Subordinated Obligations.

9     ~~An obligation may be issued as subordinated to payment of~~  
10    ~~another obligation of the person obligated, or a creditor may~~  
11    ~~subordinate his right to payment of an obligation by agreement~~  
12    ~~with either the person obligated or another creditor of the~~  
13    ~~person obligated. Such a subordination does not create a~~  
14    ~~security interest as against either the common debtor or a~~  
15    ~~subordinated creditor. This Section shall be construed as~~  
16    ~~declaring the law as it existed prior to the enactment of this~~  
17    ~~Section and not as modifying it.~~

18     (Source: P.A. 77-2810.)

19                 (810 ILCS 5/Art. 1 Pt. 3 heading new)

20                          PART 3

21                          TERRITORIAL APPLICABILITY AND GENERAL RULES

22                 (810 ILCS 5/1-301 new)

23     Sec. 1-301. Territorial applicability; parties' power to  
24     choose applicable law.

25     (a) In this Section:

26         (1) "Domestic transaction" means a transaction other  
27         than an international transaction.

28         (2) "International transaction" means a transaction  
29         that bears a reasonable relation to a country other than  
30         the United States.

31     (b) This Section applies to a transaction to the extent  
32     that it is governed by another Article of the Uniform  
33     Commercial Code.

1           (c) Except as otherwise provided in this Section:

2               (1) an agreement by parties to a domestic transaction  
3               that any or all of their rights and obligations are to be  
4               determined by the law of this State or of another State is  
5               effective, whether or not the transaction bears a relation  
6               to the State designated; and

7               (2) an agreement by parties to an international  
8               transaction that any or all of their rights and obligations  
9               are to be determined by the law of this State or of another  
10               State or country is effective, whether or not the  
11               transaction bears a relation to the State or country  
12               designated.

13               (d) In the absence of an agreement effective under  
14               subsection (c), and except as provided in subsections (e) and  
15               (g), the rights and obligations of the parties are determined  
16               by the law that would be selected by application of this  
17               State's conflict of laws principles.

18               (e) If one of the parties to a transaction is a consumer,  
19               the following rules apply:

20               (1) An agreement referred to in subsection (c) is not  
21               effective unless the transaction bears a reasonable  
22               relation to the State or country designated.

23               (2) Application of the law of the State or country  
24               determined pursuant to subsection (c) or (d) may not  
25               deprive the consumer of the protection of any rule of law  
26               governing a matter within the scope of this Section, which  
27               both is protective of consumers and may not be varied by  
28               agreement:

29               (A) of the State or country in which the consumer  
30               principally resides, unless subparagraph (B) applies;  
31               or

32               (B) if the transaction is a sale of goods, of the  
33               State or country in which the consumer both makes the  
34               contract and takes delivery of those goods, if such  
35               State or country is not the State or country in which  
36               the consumer principally resides.

1        (f) An agreement otherwise effective under subsection (c)  
2        is not effective to the extent that application of the law of  
3        the State or country designated would be contrary to a  
4        fundamental policy of the State or country whose law would  
5        govern in the absence of agreement under subsection (d).

6        (g) To the extent that the Uniform Commercial Code governs  
7        a transaction, if one of the following provisions of the  
8        Uniform Commercial Code specifies the applicable law, that  
9        provision governs and a contrary agreement is effective only to  
10      the extent permitted by the law so specified:

- 11        (1) Section 2-402;
- 12        (2) Sections 2A-105 and 2A-106;
- 13        (3) Section 4-102;
- 14        (4) Section 4A-507;
- 15        (5) Section 5-116;
- 16        (6) Section 6-103;
- 17        (7) Section 8-110;
- 18        (8) Sections 9-301 through 9-307.

19                  (810 ILCS 5/1-302 new)

20        Sec. 1-302. Variation by agreement.

21        (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b) or  
22        elsewhere in the Uniform Commercial Code, the effect of  
23        provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code may be varied by  
24        agreement.

25        (b) The obligations of good faith, diligence,  
26        reasonableness, and care prescribed by the Uniform Commercial  
27        Code may not be disclaimed by agreement. The parties, by  
28        agreement, may determine the standards by which the performance  
29        of those obligations is to be measured if those standards are  
30        not manifestly unreasonable. Whenever the Uniform Commercial  
31        Code requires an action to be taken within a reasonable time, a  
32        time that is not manifestly unreasonable may be fixed by  
33        agreement.

34        (c) The presence in certain provisions of the Uniform  
35        Commercial Code of the phrase "unless otherwise agreed", or

1       words of similar import, does not imply that the effect of  
2       other provisions may not be varied by agreement under this  
3       Section.

4                     (810 ILCS 5/1-303 new)

5       Sec. 1-303. Course of performance, course of dealing, and  
6       usage of trade.

7       (a) A "course of performance" is a sequence of conduct  
8       between the parties to a particular transaction that exists if:

9                     (1) the agreement of the parties with respect to the  
10          transaction involves repeated occasions for performance by  
11          a party; and

12          (2) the other party, with knowledge of the nature of  
13          the performance and opportunity for objection to it,  
14          accepts the performance or acquiesces in it without  
15          objection.

16          (b) A "course of dealing" is a sequence of conduct  
17          concerning previous transactions between the parties to a  
18          particular transaction that is fairly to be regarded as  
19          establishing a common basis of understanding for interpreting  
20          their expressions and other conduct.

21          (c) A "usage of trade" is any practice or method of dealing  
22          having such regularity of observance in a place, vocation, or  
23          trade as to justify an expectation that it will be observed  
24          with respect to the transaction in question. The existence and  
25          scope of such a usage must be proved as facts. If it is  
26          established that such a usage is embodied in a trade code or  
27          similar record, the interpretation of the record is a question  
28          of law.

29          (d) A course of performance or course of dealing between  
30          the parties or usage of trade in the vocation or trade in which  
31          they are engaged or of which they are or should be aware is  
32          relevant in ascertaining the meaning of the parties' agreement,  
33          may give particular meaning to specific terms of the agreement,  
34          and may supplement or qualify the terms of the agreement. A  
35          usage of trade applicable in the place in which part of the

1       performance under the agreement is to occur may be so utilized  
2       as to that part of the performance.

3       (e) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (f), the  
4       express terms of an agreement and any applicable course of  
5       performance, course of dealing, or usage of trade must be  
6       construed whenever reasonable as consistent with each other. If  
7       such a construction is unreasonable:

- 8           (1) express terms prevail over course of performance,  
9           course of dealing, and usage of trade;
- 10          (2) course of performance prevails over course of  
11          dealing and usage of trade; and
- 12          (3) course of dealing prevails over usage of trade.

13       (f) Subject to Section 2-209, a course of performance is  
14       relevant to show a waiver or modification of any term  
15       inconsistent with the course of performance.

16       (g) Evidence of a relevant usage of trade offered by one  
17       party is not admissible unless that party has given the other  
18       party notice that the court finds sufficient to prevent unfair  
19       surprise to the other party.

20           (810 ILCS 5/1-304 new)

21       Sec. 1-304. Obligation of good faith. Every contract or  
22       duty within the Uniform Commercial Code imposes an obligation  
23       of good faith in its performance and enforcement.

24           (810 ILCS 5/1-305 new)

25       Sec. 1-305. Remedies to be liberally administered.

26       (a) The remedies provided by the Uniform Commercial Code  
27       must be liberally administered to the end that the aggrieved  
28       party may be put in as good a position as if the other party had  
29       fully performed but neither consequential or special damages  
30       nor penal damages may be had except as specifically provided in  
31       the Uniform Commercial Code or by other rule of law.

32       (b) Any right or obligation declared by the Uniform  
33       Commercial Code is enforceable by action unless the provision  
34       declaring it specifies a different and limited effect.

1 (810 ILCS 5/1-306 new)

2 Sec. 1-306. Waiver or renunciation of claim or right after  
3 breach. A claim or right arising out of an alleged breach may  
4 be discharged in whole or in part without consideration by  
5 agreement of the aggrieved party in an authenticated record.

6 (810 ILCS 5/1-307 new)

7 Sec. 1-307. Prima facie evidence by third-party documents.  
8 A document in due form purporting to be a bill of lading,  
9 policy or certificate of insurance, official weigher's or  
10 inspector's certificate, consular invoice, or any other  
11 document authorized or required by the contract to be issued by  
12 a third party is prima facie evidence of its own authenticity  
13 and genuineness and of the facts stated in the document by the  
14 third party.

15 (810 ILCS 5/1-308 new)

16 Sec. 1-308. Performance or acceptance under reservation of  
17 rights.

18 (a) A party that with explicit reservation of rights  
19 performs or promises performance or assents to performance in a  
20 manner demanded or offered by the other party does not thereby  
21 prejudice the rights reserved. Such words as "without  
22 prejudice," "under protest," or the like are sufficient.

23 (b) Subsection (a) does not apply to an accord and  
24 satisfaction.

25 (810 ILCS 5/1-309 new)

26 Sec. 1-309. Option to accelerate at will. A term providing  
27 that one party or that party's successor in interest may  
28 accelerate payment or performance or require collateral or  
29 additional collateral "at will" or when the party "deems itself  
30 insecure," or words of similar import, means that the party has  
31 power to do so only if that party in good faith believes that  
32 the prospect of payment or performance is impaired. The burden

1       of establishing lack of good faith is on the party against  
2       which the power has been exercised.

3                   (810 ILCS 5/1-310 new)

4       Sec. 1-310. Subordinated obligations. An obligation may be  
5       issued as subordinated to performance of another obligation of  
6       the person obligated, or a creditor may subordinate its right  
7       to performance of an obligation by agreement with either the  
8       person obligated or another creditor of the person obligated.  
9       Subordination does not create a security interest as against  
10      either the common debtor or a subordinated creditor.

11                  Section 10. The Uniform Commercial Code is amended by  
12        changing Sections 2-103, 2-202, 2-208, 2A-103, 2A-207, 2A-501,  
13        2A-518, 2A-519, 2A-527, 2A-528, 3-103, 4-104, 4A-105, 4A-106,  
14        4A-204, 5-103, 8-102, and 9-102 as follows:

15                   (810 ILCS 5/2-103) (from Ch. 26, par. 2-103)

16        Sec. 2-103. Definitions and index of definitions.

17           (1) In this Article unless the context otherwise requires

18               (a) "Buyer" means a person who buys or contracts to buy  
19        goods.

20               (b) (Reserved.) "Good faith" in the case of a merchant  
21        means honesty in fact and the observance of reasonable  
22        commercial standards of fair dealing in the trade.

23               (c) "Receipt" of goods means taking physical  
24        possession of them.

25               (d) "Seller" means a person who sells or contracts to  
26        sell goods.

27           (2) Other definitions applying to this Article or to  
28        specified Parts thereof, and the sections in which they appear  
29        are:

30               "Acceptance". Section 2--606.

31               "Banker's credit". Section 2--325.

32               "Between merchants". Section 2--104.

33               "Cancellation". Section 2--106(4).

1           "Commercial unit". Section 2--105.  
2           "Confirmed credit". Section 2--325.  
3           "Conforming to contract". Section 2--106.  
4           "Contract for sale". Section 2--106.  
5           "Cover". Section 2--712.  
6           "Entrusting". Section 2--403.  
7           "Financing agency". Section 2--104.  
8           "Future goods". Section 2--105.  
9           "Goods". Section 2--105.  
10          "Identification". Section 2--501.  
11          "Installment contract". Section 2--612.  
12          "Letter of Credit". Section 2--325.  
13          "Lot". Section 2--105.  
14          "Merchant". Section 2--104.  
15          "Overseas". Section 2--323.  
16          "Person in position of seller". Section 2--707.  
17          "Present sale". Section 2--106.  
18          "Sale". Section 2--106.  
19          "Sale on approval". Section 2--326.  
20          "Sale or return". Section 2--326.  
21          "Termination". Section 2--106.

22          (3) The following definitions in other Articles apply to  
23 this Article:

24           "Check". Section 3--104.  
25           "Consignee". Section 7--102.  
26           "Consignor". Section 7--102.  
27           "Consumer goods". Section 9-102.  
28           "Dishonor". Section 3-502.  
29           "Draft". Section 3--104.

30          (4) In addition Article 1 contains general definitions and  
31 principles of construction and interpretation applicable  
32 throughout this Article.

33          (Source: P.A. 91-893, eff. 7-1-01.)

34           (810 ILCS 5/2-202) (from Ch. 26, par. 2-202)

35          Sec. 2-202. Final written expression: parol or extrinsic

1 evidence.

2 Terms with respect to which the confirmatory memoranda of  
3 the parties agree or which are otherwise set forth in a writing  
4 intended by the parties as a final expression of their  
5 agreement with respect to such terms as are included therein  
6 may not be contradicted by evidence of any prior agreement or  
7 of a contemporaneous oral agreement but may be explained or  
8 supplemented

9 (a) by course of performance, course of dealing, or  
10 usage of trade (Section 1-303 ~~1-205~~) or by course of  
11 performance (~~Section 2-208~~); and

12 (b) by evidence of consistent additional terms unless  
13 the court finds the writing to have been intended also as a  
14 complete and exclusive statement of the terms of the  
15 agreement.

16 (Source: Laws 1961, p. 2101.)

17 (810 ILCS 5/2-208) (from Ch. 26, par. 2-208)

18 Sec. 2-208. (Blank). ~~Course of performance or practical~~  
19 ~~construction.~~

20 ~~(1) Where the contract for sale involves repeated occasions~~  
21 ~~for performance by either party with knowledge of the nature of~~  
22 ~~the performance and opportunity for objection to it by the~~  
23 ~~other, any course of performance accepted or acquiesced in~~  
24 ~~without objection shall be relevant to determine the meaning of~~  
25 ~~the agreement.~~

26 ~~(2) The express terms of the agreement and any such course~~  
27 ~~of performance, as well as any course of dealing and usage of~~  
28 ~~trade, shall be construed whenever reasonable as consistent~~  
29 ~~with each other; but when such construction is unreasonable,~~  
30 ~~express terms shall control course of performance and course of~~  
31 ~~performance shall control both course of dealing and usage of~~  
32 ~~trade (Section 1-205).~~

33 ~~(3) Subject to the provisions of the next section on~~  
34 ~~modification and waiver, such course of performance shall be~~  
35 ~~relevant to show a waiver or modification of any term~~

1 ~~inconsistent with such course of performance.~~

2 (Source: Laws 1961, p. 2101.)

3 (810 ILCS 5/2A-103) (from Ch. 26, par. 2A-103)

4 Sec. 2A-103. Definitions and index of definitions.

5 (1) In this Article unless the context otherwise requires:

6       (a) "Buyer in ordinary course of business" means a  
7 person who, in good faith and without knowledge that the  
8 sale to him or her is in violation of the ownership rights  
9 or security interest or leasehold interest of a third party  
10 in the goods, buys in ordinary course from a person in the  
11 business of selling goods of that kind but does not include  
12 a pawnbroker. "Buying" may be for cash or by exchange of  
13 other property or on secured or unsecured credit and  
14 includes receiving goods or documents of title under a  
15 pre-existing contract for sale but does not include a  
16 transfer in bulk or as security for or in total or partial  
17 satisfaction of a money debt.

18       (b) "Cancellation" occurs when either party puts an end  
19 to the lease contract for default by the other party.

20       (c) "Commercial unit" means such a unit of goods as by  
21 commercial usage is a single whole for purposes of lease  
22 and division of which materially impairs its character or  
23 value on the market or in use. A commercial unit may be a  
24 single article, as a machine, or a set of articles, as a  
25 suite of furniture or a line of machinery, or a quantity,  
26 as a gross or carload, or any other unit treated in use or  
27 in the relevant market as a single whole.

28       (d) "Conforming" goods or performance under a lease  
29 contract means goods or performance that are in accordance  
30 with the obligations under the lease contract.

31       (e) "Consumer lease" means a lease that a lessor  
32 regularly engaged in the business of leasing or selling  
33 makes to a lessee who is an individual and who takes under  
34 the lease primarily for a personal, family, or household  
35 purpose, if the total payments to be made under the lease

1 contract, excluding payments for options to renew or buy,  
2 do not exceed \$40,000.

3 (f) "Fault" means wrongful act, omission, breach, or  
4 default.

5 (g) "Finance lease" means a lease with respect to  
6 which:

7 (i) the lessor does not select, manufacture, or  
8 supply the goods;

9 (ii) the lessor acquires the goods or the right to  
10 possession and use of the goods in connection with the  
11 lease; and

12 (iii) one of the following occurs:

13 (A) the lessee receives a copy of the contract  
14 by which the lessor acquired the goods or the right  
15 to possession and use of the goods before signing  
16 the lease contract;

17 (B) the lessee's approval of the contract by  
18 which the lessor acquired the goods or the right to  
19 possession and use of the goods is a condition to  
20 effectiveness of the lease contract;

21 (C) the lessee, before signing the lease  
22 contract, receives an accurate and complete  
23 statement designating the promises and warranties,  
24 and any disclaimers of warranties, limitations or  
25 modifications of remedies, or liquidated damages,  
26 including those of a third party, such as the  
27 manufacturer of the goods, provided to the lessor  
28 by the person supplying the goods in connection  
29 with or as part of the contract by which the lessor  
30 acquired the goods or the right to possession and  
31 use of the goods; or

32 (D) if the lease is not a consumer lease, the  
33 lessor, before the lessee signs the lease  
34 contract, informs the lessee in writing (a) of the  
35 identity of the person supplying the goods to the  
36 lessor, unless the lessee has selected that person

1                   and directed the lessor to acquire the goods or the  
2                   right to possession and use of the goods from that  
3                   person, (b) that the lessee is entitled under this  
4                   Article to the promises and warranties, including  
5                   those of any third party, provided to the lessor by  
6                   the person supplying the goods in connection with  
7                   or as part of the contract by which the lessor  
8                   acquired the goods or the right to possession and  
9                   use of the goods, and (c) that the lessee may  
10                  communicate with the person supplying the goods to  
11                  the lessor and receive an accurate and complete  
12                  statement of those promises and warranties,  
13                  including any disclaimers and limitations of them  
14                  or of remedies.

15                 (h) "Goods" means all things that are movable at the  
16                 time of identification to the lease contract, or are  
17                 fixtures (Section 2A-309), but the term does not include  
18                 money, documents, instruments, accounts, chattel paper,  
19                 general intangibles, or minerals or the like, including oil  
20                 and gas, before extraction. The term also includes the  
21                 unborn young of animals.

22                 (i) "Installment lease contract" means a lease  
23                 contract that authorizes or requires the delivery of goods  
24                 in separate lots to be separately accepted, even though the  
25                 lease contract contains a clause "each delivery is a  
26                 separate lease" or its equivalent.

27                 (j) "Lease" means a transfer of the right to possession  
28                 and use of goods for a term in return for consideration,  
29                 but a sale, including a sale on approval or a sale or  
30                 return, or retention or creation of a security interest is  
31                 not a lease. Unless the context clearly indicates  
32                 otherwise, the term includes a sublease.

33                 (k) "Lease agreement" means the bargain, with respect  
34                 to the lease, of the lessor and the lessee in fact as found  
35                 in their language or by implication from other  
36                 circumstances including course of dealing or usage of trade

1       or course of performance as provided in this Article.  
2       Unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the term  
3       includes a sublease agreement.

4           (l) "Lease contract" means the total legal obligation  
5       that results from the lease agreement as affected by this  
6       Article and any other applicable rules of law. Unless the  
7       context clearly indicates otherwise, the term includes a  
8       sublease contract.

9           (m) "Leasehold interest" means the interest of the  
10      lessor or the lessee under a lease contract.

11          (n) "Lessee" means a person who acquires the right to  
12       possession and use of goods under a lease. Unless the  
13       context clearly indicates otherwise, the term includes a  
14       sublessee.

15           (o) "Lessee in ordinary course of business" means a  
16       person who in good faith and without knowledge that the  
17       lease to him or her is in violation of the ownership rights  
18       or security interest or leasehold interest of a third party  
19       in the goods leases in ordinary course from a person in the  
20       business of selling or leasing goods of that kind but does  
21       not include a pawnbroker. "Leasing" may be for cash or by  
22       exchange of other property or on secured or unsecured  
23       credit and includes receiving goods or documents of title  
24       under a pre-existing lease contract but does not include a  
25       transfer in bulk or as security for or in total or partial  
26       satisfaction of a money debt.

27           (p) "Lessor" means a person who transfers the right to  
28       possession and use of goods under a lease. Unless the  
29       context clearly indicates otherwise, the term includes a  
30       sublessor.

31           (q) "Lessor's residual interest" means the lessor's  
32       interest in the goods after expiration, termination, or  
33       cancellation of the lease contract.

34           (r) "Lien" means a charge against or interest in goods  
35       to secure payment of a debt or performance of an  
36       obligation, but the term does not include a security

1 interest.

2 (s) "Lot" means a parcel or a single article that is  
3 the subject matter of a separate lease or delivery, whether  
4 or not it is sufficient to perform the lease contract.

5 (t) "Merchant lessee" means a lessee that is a merchant  
6 with respect to goods of the kind subject to the lease.

7 (u) "Present value" means the amount as of a date  
8 certain of one or more sums payable in the future,  
9 discounted to the date certain. The discount is determined  
10 by the interest rate specified by the parties if the rate  
11 was not manifestly unreasonable at the time the transaction  
12 was entered into; otherwise, the discount is determined by  
13 a commercially reasonable rate that takes into account the  
14 facts and circumstances of each case at the time the  
15 transaction was entered into.

16 (v) "Purchase" includes taking by sale, lease,  
17 mortgage, security interest, pledge, gift, or any other  
18 voluntary transaction creating an interest in goods.

19 (w) "Sublease" means a lease of goods the right to  
20 possession and use of which was acquired by the lessor as a  
21 lessee under an existing lease.

22 (x) "Supplier" means a person from whom a lessor buys  
23 or leases goods to be leased under a finance lease.

24 (y) "Supply contract" means a contract under which a  
25 lessor buys or leases goods to be leased.

26 (z) "Termination" occurs when either party pursuant to  
27 a power created by agreement or law puts an end to the  
28 lease contract otherwise than for default.

29 (2) Other definitions applying to this Article and the  
30 Sections in which they appear are:

31 "Accessions". Section 2A-310(1).

32 "Construction mortgage". Section 2A-309(1)(d).

33 "Encumbrance". Section 2A-309(1)(e).

34 "Fixtures". Section 2A-309(1)(a).

35 "Fixture filing". Section 2A-309(1)(b).

36 "Purchase money lease". Section 2A-309(1)(c).

1                   (3) The following definitions in other Articles apply to  
2 this Article:

3                   "Account". Section 9-102(a)(2).

4                   "Between merchants". Section 2-104(3).

5                   "Buyer". Section 2-103(1)(a).

6                   "Chattel paper". Section 9-102(a)(11).

7                   "Consumer goods". Section 9-102(a)(23).

8                   "Document". Section 9-102(a)(30).

9                   "Entrusting". Section 2-403(3).

10                  "General intangible". Section 9-102(a)(42).

11                  ~~"Good faith". Section 2-103(1)(b).~~

12                  "Instrument". Section 9-102(a)(47).

13                  "Merchant". Section 2-104(1).

14                  "Mortgage". Section 9-102(a)(55).

15                  "Pursuant to commitment". Section 9-102(a)(68).

16                  "Receipt". Section 2-103(1)(c).

17                  "Sale". Section 2-106(1).

18                  "Sale on approval". Section 2-326.

19                  "Sale or return". Section 2-326.

20                  "Seller". Section 2-103(1)(d).

21                  (4) In addition, Article 1 contains general definitions and  
22 principles of construction and interpretation applicable  
23 throughout this Article.

24 (Source: P.A. 91-893, eff. 7-1-01; 92-651, eff. 7-11-02.)

25                  (810 ILCS 5/2A-207) (from Ch. 26, par. 2A-207)

26                  Sec. 2A-207. ~~(Blank). Course of performance or practical~~  
27 ~~construction.~~

28                  ~~(1) If a lease contract involves repeated occasions for~~  
29 ~~performance by either party with knowledge of the nature of the~~  
30 ~~performance and opportunity for objection to it by the other,~~  
31 ~~any course of performance accepted or acquiesced in without~~  
32 ~~objection is relevant to determine the meaning of the lease~~  
33 ~~agreement.~~

34                  ~~(2) The express terms of a lease agreement and any course~~  
35 ~~of performance, as well as any course of dealing and usage of~~

1       ~~trade, must be construed whenever reasonable as consistent with~~  
2       ~~each other; but if that construction is unreasonable, express~~  
3       ~~terms control course of performance, course of performance~~  
4       ~~controls both course of dealing and usage of trade, and course~~  
5       ~~of dealing controls usage of trade.~~

6           ~~(3) Subject to the provisions of Section 2A-208 on~~  
7       ~~modification and waiver, course of performance is relevant to~~  
8       ~~show a waiver or modification of any term inconsistent with the~~  
9       ~~course of performance.~~

10      (Source: P.A. 87-493.)

11           (810 ILCS 5/2A-501) (from Ch. 26, par. 2A-501)

12      Sec. 2A-501. Default; procedure.

13           (1) Whether the lessor or the lessee is in default under a  
14       lease contract is determined by the lease agreement and this  
15       Article.

16           (2) If the lessor or the lessee is in default under the  
17       lease contract, the party seeking enforcement has rights and  
18       remedies as provided in this Article and, except as limited by  
19       this Article, as provided in the lease agreement.

20           (3) If the lessor or the lessee is in default under the  
21       lease contract, the party seeking enforcement may reduce the  
22       party's claim to judgment, or otherwise enforce the lease  
23       contract by self-help or any available judicial procedure or  
24       nonjudicial procedure, including administrative proceeding,  
25       arbitration, or the like, in accordance with this Article.

26           (4) Except as otherwise provided in Section 1-305(a)  
27       ~~1-106(1)~~ or this Article or the lease agreement, the rights and  
28       remedies referred to in subsections (2) and (3) are cumulative.

29           (5) If the lease agreement covers both real property and  
30       goods, the party seeking enforcement may proceed under this  
31       Part as to the goods, or under other applicable law as to both  
32       the real property and the goods in accordance with that party's  
33       rights and remedies in respect of the real property, in which  
34       case this Part does not apply.

35      (Source: P.A. 87-493.)

1                         (810 ILCS 5/2A-518) (from Ch. 26, par. 2A-518)

2                         Sec. 2A-518. Cover; substitute goods.

3                         (1) After a default by a lessor under the lease contract of  
4                         the type described in Section 2A-508(1), or, if agreed, after  
5                         other default by the lessor, the lessee may cover by making any  
6                         purchase or lease of or contract to purchase or lease goods in  
7                         substitution for those due from the lessor.

8                         (2) Except as otherwise provided with respect to damages  
9                         liquidated in the lease agreement (Section 2A-504) or otherwise  
10                         determined pursuant to agreement of the parties (Sections 1-302  
11                         1-102(3) and 2A-503), if a lessee's cover is by a lease  
12                         agreement substantially similar to the original lease  
13                         agreement and the new lease agreement is made in good faith and  
14                         in a commercially reasonable manner, the lessee may recover  
15                         from the lessor as damages (i) the present value, as of the  
16                         date of the commencement of the term of the new lease  
17                         agreement, of the rent under the new lease agreement applicable  
18                         to that period of the new lease term which is comparable to the  
19                         then remaining term of the original lease agreement minus the  
20                         present value as of the same date of the total rent for the  
21                         then remaining lease term of the original lease agreement, and  
22                         (ii) any incidental or consequential damages, less expenses  
23                         saved in consequence of the lessor's default.

24                         (3) If a lessee's cover is by lease agreement that for any  
25                         reason does not qualify for treatment under subsection (2), or  
26                         is by purchase or otherwise, the lessee may recover from the  
27                         lessor as if the lessee had elected not to cover and Section  
28                         2A-519 governs.

29                         (Source: P.A. 87-493.)

30                         (810 ILCS 5/2A-519) (from Ch. 26, par. 2A-519)

31                         Sec. 2A-519. Lessee's damages for nondelivery,  
32                         repudiation, default, and breach of warranty in regard to  
33                         accepted goods.

34                         (1) Except as otherwise provided with respect to damages

1 liquidated in the lease agreement (Section 2A-504) or otherwise  
2 determined pursuant to agreement of the parties (Sections 1-302  
3 ~~1-102(3)~~ and 2A-503), if a lessee elects not to cover or a  
4 lessee elects to cover and the cover is by lease agreement that  
5 for any reason does not qualify for treatment under Section  
6 2A-518(2), or is by purchase or otherwise, the measure of  
7 damages for nondelivery or repudiation by the lessor or for  
8 rejection or revocation of acceptance by the lessee is the  
9 present value, as of the date of the default, of the then  
10 market rent minus the present value as of the same date of the  
11 original rent, computed for the remaining lease term of the  
12 original lease agreement, together with incidental and  
13 consequential damages, less expenses saved in consequence of  
14 the lessor's default.

15 (2) Market rent is to be determined as of the place for  
16 tender or, in cases of rejection after arrival or revocation of  
17 acceptance, as of the place of arrival.

18 (3) Except as otherwise agreed, if the lessee has accepted  
19 goods and given notification (Section 2A-516(3)), the measure  
20 of damages for nonconforming tender or delivery or other  
21 default by a lessor is the loss resulting in the ordinary  
22 course of events from the lessor's default as determined in any  
23 manner that is reasonable together with incidental and  
24 consequential damages, less expenses saved in consequence of  
25 the lessor's default.

26 (4) Except as otherwise agreed, the measure of damages for  
27 breach of warranty is the present value at the time and place  
28 of acceptance of the difference between the value of the use of  
29 the goods accepted and the value if they had been as warranted  
30 for the lease term, unless special circumstances show proximate  
31 damages of a different amount, together with incidental and  
32 consequential damages, less expenses saved in consequence of  
33 the lessor's default or breach of warranty.

34 (Source: P.A. 87-493.)

1           Sec. 2A-527. Lessor's rights to dispose of goods.

2           (1) After a default by a lessee under the lease contract of  
3 the type described in Section 2A-523(1) or 2A-523(3)(a) or  
4 after the lessor refuses to deliver or takes possession of  
5 goods (Section 2A-525 or 2A-526), or, if agreed, after other  
6 default by a lessee, the lessor may dispose of the goods  
7 concerned or the undelivered balance thereof by lease, sale, or  
8 otherwise.

9           (2) Except as otherwise provided with respect to damages  
10 liquidated in the lease agreement (Section 2A-504) or otherwise  
11 determined pursuant to agreement of the parties (Sections 1-302  
~~1-102(3)~~ and 2A-503), if the disposition is by lease agreement  
12 substantially similar to the original lease agreement and the  
13 new lease agreement is made in good faith and in a commercially  
14 reasonable manner, the lessor may recover from the lessee as  
15 damages (i) accrued and unpaid rent as of the date of the  
16 commencement of the term of the new lease agreement, (ii) the  
17 present value, as of the same date, of the total rent for the  
18 then remaining lease term of the original lease agreement minus  
19 the present value, as of the same date, of the rent under the  
20 new lease agreement applicable to that period of the new lease  
21 term which is comparable to the then remaining term of the  
22 original lease agreement, and (iii) any incidental damages  
23 allowed under Section 2A-530, less expenses saved in  
24 consequence of the lessee's default.

25  
26           (3) If the lessor's disposition is by lease agreement that  
27 for any reason does not qualify for treatment under subsection  
28 (2), or is by sale or otherwise, the lessor may recover from  
29 the lessee as if the lessor had elected not to dispose of the  
30 goods and Section 2A-528 governs.

31           (4) A subsequent buyer or lessee who buys or leases from  
32 the lessor in good faith for value as a result of a disposition  
33 under this Section takes the goods free of the original lease  
34 contract and any rights of the original lessee even though the  
35 lessor fails to comply with one or more of the requirements of  
36 this Article.

1               (5) The lessor is not accountable to the lessee for any  
2 profit made on any disposition. A lessee who has rightfully  
3 rejected or justifiably revoked acceptance shall account to the  
4 lessor for any excess over the amount of the lessee's security  
5 interest (Section 2A-508(5)).

6 (Source: P.A. 87-493.)

7               (810 ILCS 5/2A-528) (from Ch. 26, par. 2A-528)

8               Sec. 2A-528. Lessor's damages for nonacceptance, failure  
9 to pay, repudiation, or other default.

10              (1) Except as otherwise provided with respect to damages  
11 liquidated in the lease agreement (Section 2A-504) or otherwise  
12 determined pursuant to agreement of the parties (Sections 1-302  
13 ~~1-102(3)~~ and 2A-503), if a lessor elects to retain the goods or  
14 a lessor elects to dispose of the goods and the disposition is  
15 by lease agreement that for any reason does not qualify for  
16 treatment under Section 2A-527(2), or is by sale or otherwise,  
17 the lessor may recover from the lessee as damages for a default  
18 of the type described in Section 2A-523(1) or 2A-523(3)(a) or,  
19 if agreed, for other default of the lessee, (i) accrued and  
20 unpaid rent as of the date of default if the lessee has never  
21 taken possession of the goods, or, if the lessee has taken  
22 possession of the goods, as of the date the lessor repossesses  
23 the goods or an earlier date on which the lessee makes a tender  
24 of the goods to the lessor, (ii) the present value as of the  
25 date determined under clause (i) of the total rent for the then  
26 remaining lease term of the original lease agreement minus the  
27 present value as of the same date of the market rent at the  
28 place where the goods are located computed for the same lease  
29 term, and (iii) any incidental damages allowed under Section  
30 2A-530, less expenses saved in consequence of the lessee's  
31 default.

32              (2) If the measure of damages provided in subsection (1) is  
33 inadequate to put a lessor in as good a position as performance  
34 would have, the measure of damages is the present value of the  
35 profit, including reasonable overhead, the lessor would have

1 made from full performance by the lessee, together with any  
2 incidental damages allowed under Section 2A-530, due allowance  
3 for costs reasonably incurred and due credit for payments or  
4 proceeds of disposition.

5 (Source: P.A. 87-493.)

6 (810 ILCS 5/3-103) (from Ch. 26, par. 3-103)

7 Sec. 3-103. Definitions.

8 (a) In this Article:

9 (1) "Acceptor" means a drawee that has accepted a  
10 draft.

11 (2) "Drawee" means a person ordered in a draft to make  
12 payment.

13 (3) "Drawer" means a person who signs or is identified  
14 in a draft as a person ordering payment.

15 (4) (Reserved.) "~~Good faith~~" means honesty in fact and  
16 ~~the observance of reasonable commercial standards of fair~~  
17 ~~dealing~~.

18 (5) "Maker" means a person who signs or is identified  
19 in a note as a person undertaking to pay.

20 (6) "Order" means a written instruction to pay money  
21 signed by the person giving the instruction. The  
22 instruction may be addressed to any person, including the  
23 person giving the instruction, or to one or more persons  
24 jointly or in the alternative but not in succession. An  
25 authorization to pay is not an order unless the person  
26 authorized to pay is also instructed to pay.

27 (7) "Ordinary care" in the case of a person engaged in  
28 business means observance of reasonable commercial  
29 standards, prevailing in the area in which the person is  
30 located with respect to the business in which the person is  
31 engaged. In the case of a bank that takes an instrument for  
32 processing for collection or payment by automated means,  
33 reasonable commercial standards do not require the bank to  
34 examine the instrument if the failure to examine does not  
35 violate the bank's prescribed procedures and the bank's

1 procedures do not vary unreasonably from general banking  
2 usage not disapproved by this Article or Article 4.

3 (8) "Party" means a party to an instrument.

4 (9) "Promise" means a written undertaking to pay money  
5 signed by the person undertaking to pay. An acknowledgment  
6 of an obligation by the obligor is not a promise unless the  
7 obligor also undertakes to pay the obligation.

8 (10) "Prove" with respect to a fact means to meet the  
9 burden of establishing the fact (Section 1-201(b) (8)).

10 (11) "Remitter" means a person that purchases an  
11 instrument from its issuer if the instrument is payable to  
12 an identified person other than the purchaser.

13 (b) Other definitions applying to this Article and the  
14 Sections in which they appear are:

"Acceptance"	Section 3-409
"Accommodated party"	Section 3-419
"Accommodation party"	Section 3-419
"Alteration"	Section 3-407
"Anomalous indorsement"	Section 3-205
"Blank indorsement"	Section 3-205
"Cashier's check"	Section 3-104
"Certificate of deposit"	Section 3-104
"Certified check"	Section 3-409
"Check"	Section 3-104
"Consideration"	Section 3-303
"Draft"	Section 3-104
"Holder in due course"	Section 3-302
"Incomplete instrument"	Section 3-115
"Indorsement"	Section 3-204
"Indorser"	Section 3-204
"Instrument"	Section 3-104
"Issue"	Section 3-105
"Issuer"	Section 3-105
"Negotiable instrument"	Section 3-104
"Negotiation"	Section 3-201
"Note"	Section 3-104

1	"Payable at a definite time"	Section 3-108
2	"Payable on demand"	Section 3-108
3	"Payable to bearer"	Section 3-109
4	"Payable to order"	Section 3-109
5	"Payment"	Section 3-602
6	"Person entitled to enforce"	Section 3-301
7	"Presentment"	Section 3-501
8	"Reacquisition"	Section 3-207
9	"Special indorsement"	Section 3-205
10	"Teller's check"	Section 3-104
11	"Transfer of instrument"	Section 3-203
12	"Traveler's check"	Section 3-104
13	"Value"	Section 3-303

14                                     (c) The following definitions in other Articles apply to  
15                                     this Article:

16	"Bank"	Section 4-105
17	"Banking day"	Section 4-104
18	"Clearing house"	Section 4-104
19	"Collecting bank"	Section 4-105
20	"Depository bank"	Section 4-105
21	"Documentary draft"	Section 4-104
22	"Intermediary bank"	Section 4-105
23	"Item"	Section 4-104
24	"Payor bank"	Section 4-105
25	"Suspends payments"	Section 4-104.

26                                     (d) In addition, Article 1 contains general definitions and  
27                                     principles of construction and interpretation applicable  
28                                     throughout this Article.

29                                     (Source: P.A. 87-582; 87-1135.)

30                                     (810 ILCS 5/4-104) (from Ch. 26, par. 4-104)

31                                     Sec. 4-104. Definitions and index of definitions.

32                                     (a) In this Article, unless the context otherwise requires:

33   (1) "Account" means any deposit or credit account with  
34                                     a bank, including a demand, time, savings, passbook, share  
35                                     draft, or like account, other than an account evidenced by

1 a certificate of deposit;

2 (2) "Afternoon" means the period of a day between noon  
3 and midnight;

4 (3) "Banking day" means the part of a day on which a  
5 bank is open to the public for carrying on substantially  
6 all of its banking functions, except that any day that is  
7 not a banking day for purposes of Federal Reserve  
8 Regulation CC (as may be amended from time to time) shall  
9 not be a banking day for purposes of this Article or  
10 Article 3;

11 (4) "Clearing house" means an association of banks or  
12 other payors regularly clearing items;

13 (5) "Customer" means a person having an account with a  
14 bank or for whom a bank has agreed to collect items,  
15 including a bank that maintains an account at another bank;

16 (6) "Documentary draft" means a draft to be presented  
17 for acceptance or payment if specified documents,  
18 certificated securities (Section 8-102) or instructions  
19 for uncertificated securities (Section 8-102), or other  
20 certificates, statements, or the like are to be received by  
21 the drawee or other payor before acceptance or payment of  
22 the draft;

23 (7) "Draft" means a draft as defined in Section 3-104  
24 or an item, other than an instrument, that is an order;

25 (8) "Drawee" means a person ordered in a draft to make  
26 payment;

27 (9) "Item" means an instrument or a promise or order to  
28 pay money handled by a bank for collection or payment. The  
29 term does not include a payment order governed by Article  
30 4A or a credit or debit card slip;

31 (10) "Midnight deadline" with respect to a bank is  
32 midnight on its next banking day following the banking day  
33 on which it receives the relevant item or notice or from  
34 which the time for taking action commences to run,  
35 whichever is later;

36 (11) "Settle" means to pay in cash, by clearing-house

1           settlement, in a charge or credit or by remittance, or  
2           otherwise as agreed. A settlement may be either provisional  
3           or final;

4           (12) "Suspends payments" with respect to a bank means  
5           that it has been closed by order of the supervisory  
6           authorities, that a public officer has been appointed to  
7           take it over, or that it ceases or refuses to make payments  
8           in the ordinary course of business.

9           (b) Other definitions applying to this Article and the  
10          Sections in which they appear are:

11	"Agreement for electronic	
12	presentment"	Section 4-110.
13	"Bank"	Section 4-105.
14	"Collecting bank"	Section 4-105.
15	"Depository bank"	Section 4-105.
16	"Intermediary bank"	Section 4-105.
17	"Payor bank"	Section 4-105.
18	"Presenting bank"	Section 4-105.
19	"Presentment notice"	Section 4-110.

20           (c) The following definitions in other Articles apply to  
21          this Article:

22	"Acceptance"	Section 3-409.
23	"Alteration"	Section 3-407.
24	"Cashier's check"	Section 3-104.
25	"Certificate of deposit"	Section 3-104.
26	"Certified check"	Section 3-409.
27	"Check"	Section 3-104.
28	<u>"Good faith"</u>	<u>Section 3-103.</u>
29	"Holder in due course"	Section 3-302.
30	"Instrument"	Section 3-104.
31	"Notice of dishonor"	Section 3-503.
32	"Order"	Section 3-103.
33	"Ordinary care"	Section 3-103.
34	"Person entitled to enforce"	Section 3-301.
35	"Presentment"	Section 3-501.
36	"Promise"	Section 3-103.

1           "Prove"    Section 3-103.  
2           "Teller's check"    Section 3-104.  
3           "Unauthorized signature"    Section 3-403.  
4           (d) In addition Article 1 contains general definitions and  
5           principles of construction and interpretation applicable  
6           throughout this Article.  
7           (Source: P.A. 88-45; 89-364, eff. 1-1-96.)

8           (810 ILCS 5/4A-105) (from Ch. 26, par. 4A-105)

9           Sec. 4A-105. Other definitions.

10           (a) In this Article:

11           (1) "Authorized account" means a deposit account of a  
12           customer in a bank designated by the customer as a source  
13           of payment of payment orders issued by the customer to the  
14           bank. If a customer does not so designate an account, any  
15           account of the customer is an authorized account if payment  
16           of a payment order from that account is not inconsistent  
17           with a restriction on the use of that account.

18           (2) "Bank" means a person engaged in the business of  
19           banking and includes a savings bank, savings and loan  
20           association, credit union, and trust company. A branch or  
21           separate office of a bank is a separate bank for purposes  
22           of this Article.

23           (3) "Customer" means a person, including a bank, having  
24           an account with a bank or from whom a bank has agreed to  
25           receive payment orders.

26           (4) "Funds transfer business day" of a receiving bank  
27           means the part of a day during which the receiving bank is  
28           open for the receipt, processing, and transmittal of  
29           payment orders and cancellations and amendments of payment  
30           orders.

31           (5) "Funds transfer system" means a wire transfer  
32           network, automated clearinghouse, or other communication  
33           system of a clearing house or other association of banks  
34           through which a payment order by a bank may be transmitted  
35           to the bank to which the order is addressed.

1                     (6) (Reserved.) "Good faith" means honesty in fact and  
2                     the observance of reasonable commercial standards of fair  
3                     dealing.

4                     (7) "Prove" with respect to a fact means to meet the  
5                     burden of establishing the fact (Section 1-201 (b) (8)).

6                     (b) Other definitions applying to this Article and the  
7                     Sections in which they appear are:

"Acceptance"	Section 4A-209
"Beneficiary"	Section 4A-103
"Beneficiary's bank"	Section 4A-103
"Executed"	Section 4A-301
"Execution date"	Section 4A-301
"Funds transfer"	Section 4A-104
"Funds transfer system rule"	Section 4A-501
"Intermediary bank"	Section 4A-104
"Originator"	Section 4A-104
"Originator's bank"	Section 4A-104
"Payment by beneficiary's bank to beneficiary"	Section 4A-405
"Payment by originator to beneficiary"	Section 4A-406

22                     "Payment by sender  
                       to receiving bank"

23                     "Payment date"

25                     "Payment order"

26                     "Receiving bank"

27                     "Security procedure"

28                     "Sender"

29                     (c) The following definitions in Article 4 apply to this  
30                     Article:

31                     "Clearing house"

                           Section 4-104

32                     "Item"

                           Section 4-104

33                     "Suspends payments"

                           Section 4-104

34                     (d) In addition, Article 1 contains general definitions and  
35                     principles of construction and interpretation applicable  
36                     throughout this Article.

1 (Source: P.A. 86-1291.)

2 (810 ILCS 5/4A-106) (from Ch. 26, par. 4A-106)

3 Sec. 4A-106. Time payment order is received.

4 (a) The time of receipt of a payment order or communication  
5 cancelling or amending a payment order is determined by the  
6 rules applicable to receipt of a notice stated in Section 1-202  
~~1-201(27)~~. A receiving bank may fix a cut-off time or times on  
7 a funds transfer business day for the receipt and processing of  
8 payment orders and communications cancelling or amending  
9 payment orders. Different cut-off times may apply to payment  
10 orders, cancellations, or amendments, or to different  
11 categories of payment orders, cancellations, or amendments. A  
12 cut-off time may apply to senders generally or different  
13 cut-off times may apply to different senders or categories of  
14 payment orders. If a payment order or communication cancelling  
15 or amending a payment order is received after the close of a  
16 funds transfer business day or after the appropriate cut-off  
17 time on a funds transfer business day, the receiving bank may  
18 treat the payment order or communication as received at the  
19 opening of the next funds transfer business day.

20 (b) If this Article refers to an execution date or payment  
21 date or states a day on which a receiving bank is required to  
22 take action, and the date or day does not fall on a funds  
23 transfer business day, the next day that is a funds transfer  
24 business day is treated as the date or day stated, unless the  
25 contrary is stated in this Article.

26 (Source: P.A. 86-1291.)

28 (810 ILCS 5/4A-204) (from Ch. 26, par. 4A-204)

29 Sec. 4A-204. Refund of payment and duty of customer to  
30 report with respect to an unauthorized payment order.

31 (a) If a receiving bank accepts a payment order issued in  
32 the name of its customer as sender which is (i) not authorized  
33 and not effective as the order of the customer under Section  
34 4A-202, or (ii) not enforceable, in whole or in part, against

1 the customer under Section 4A-203, the bank shall refund any  
2 payment of the payment order received from the customer to the  
3 extent the bank is not entitled to enforce payment and shall  
4 pay interest on the refundable amount calculated from the date  
5 the bank received payment to the date of the refund. However,  
6 the customer is not entitled to interest from the bank on the  
7 amount to be refunded if the customer fails to exercise  
8 ordinary care to determine that the order was not authorized by  
9 the customer and to notify the bank of the relevant facts  
10 within a reasonable time not exceeding 90 days after the date  
11 the customer received notification from the bank that the order  
12 was accepted or that the customer's account was debited with  
13 respect to the order. The bank is not entitled to any recovery  
14 from the customer on account of a failure by the customer to  
15 give notification as stated in this Section.

16 (b) Reasonable time under subsection (a) may be fixed by  
17 agreement as stated in Section 1-302(b) ~~1-204(1)~~, but the  
18 obligation of a receiving bank to refund payment as stated in  
19 subsection (a) may not otherwise be varied by agreement.

20 (Source: P.A. 90-655, eff. 7-30-98.)

21 (810 ILCS 5/5-103) (from Ch. 26, par. 5-103)

22 Sec. 5-103. Scope.

23 (a) This Article applies to letters of credit and to  
24 certain rights and obligations arising out of transactions  
25 involving letters of credit.

26 (b) The statement of a rule in this Article does not by  
27 itself require, imply, or negate application of the same or a  
28 different rule to a situation not provided for, or to a person  
29 not specified, in this Article.

30 (c) With the exception of this subsection, subsections (a)  
31 and (d), Sections 5-102(a)(9) and (10), 5-106(d), and 5-114(d),  
32 and except to the extent prohibited in Sections 1-302 ~~1-102(3)~~  
33 and 5-117(d), the effect of this Article may be varied by  
34 agreement or by a provision stated or incorporated by reference  
35 in an undertaking. A term in an agreement or undertaking

generally excusing liability or generally limiting remedies for failure to perform obligations is not sufficient to vary obligations prescribed by this Article.

(d) Rights and obligations of an issuer to a beneficiary or a nominated person under a letter of credit are independent of the existence, performance, or nonperformance of a contract or arrangement out of which the letter of credit arises or which underlies it, including contracts or arrangements between the issuer and the applicant and between the applicant and the beneficiary.

(Source: P.A. 89-534, eff. 1-1-97.)

(810 ILCS 5/8-102) (from Ch. 26, par. 8-102)

Sec. 8-102. Definitions.

(a) In this Article:

(1) "Adverse claim" means a claim that a claimant has a property interest in a financial asset and that it is a violation of the rights of the claimant for another person to hold, transfer, or deal with the financial asset.

(2) "Bearer form," as applied to a certificated security, means a form in which the security is payable to the bearer of the security certificate according to its terms but not by reason of an indorsement.

(3) "Broker" means a person defined as a broker or dealer under the federal securities laws, but without excluding a bank acting in that capacity.

(4) "Certificated security" means a security that is represented by a certificate.

(5) "Clearing corporation" means:

(i) a person that is registered as a "clearing agency" under the federal securities laws;

(ii) a federal reserve bank; or

(iii) any other person that provides clearance or settlement services with respect to financial assets that would require it to register as a clearing agency under the federal securities laws but for an exclusion

1 or exemption from the registration requirement, if its  
2 activities as a clearing corporation, including  
3 promulgation of rules, are subject to regulation by a  
4 federal or state governmental authority.

5 (6) "Communicate" means to:

6 (i) send a signed writing; or  
7 (ii) transmit information by any mechanism agreed  
8 upon by the persons transmitting and receiving the  
9 information.

10 (7) "Entitlement holder" means a person identified in  
11 the records of a securities intermediary as the person  
12 having a security entitlement against the securities  
13 intermediary. If a person acquires a security entitlement  
14 by virtue of Section 8-501(b) (2) or (3), that person is the  
15 entitlement holder.

16 (8) "Entitlement order" means a notification  
17 communicated to a securities intermediary directing  
18 transfer or redemption of a financial asset to which the  
19 entitlement holder has a security entitlement.

20 (9) "Financial asset," except as otherwise provided in  
21 Section 8-103, means:

22 (i) a security;

23 (ii) an obligation of a person or a share,  
24 participation, or other interest in a person or in  
25 property or an enterprise of a person, which is, or is  
26 of a type, dealt in or traded on financial markets, or  
27 which is recognized in any area in which it is issued  
28 or dealt in as a medium for investment; or

29 (iii) any property that is held by a securities  
30 intermediary for another person in a securities  
31 account if the securities intermediary has expressly  
32 agreed with the other person that the property is to be  
33 treated as a financial asset under this Article. As  
34 context requires, the term means either the interest  
35 itself or the means by which a person's claim to it is  
36 evidenced, including a certificated or uncertificated

1           security, a security certificate, or a security  
2           entitlement.

3           (10) (Reserved.) "~~Good faith," for purposes of the~~  
4           ~~obligation of good faith in the performance or enforcement~~  
5           ~~of contracts or duties within this Article, means honesty~~  
6           ~~in fact and the observance of reasonable commercial~~  
7           ~~standards of fair dealing.~~

8           (11) "Indorsement" means a signature that alone or  
9           accompanied by other words is made on a security  
10          certificate in registered form or on a separate document  
11          for the purpose of assigning, transferring, or redeeming  
12          the security or granting a power to assign, transfer, or  
13          redeem it.

14          (12) "Instruction" means a notification communicated  
15          to the issuer of an uncertificated security which directs  
16          that the transfer of the security be registered or that the  
17          security be redeemed.

18          (13) "Registered form," as applied to a certificated  
19          security, means a form in which:

20                 (i) the security certificate specifies a person  
21                 entitled to the security; and

22                 (ii) a transfer of the security may be registered  
23                 upon books maintained for that purpose by or on behalf  
24                 of the issuer, or the security certificate so states.

25          (14) "Securities intermediary" means:

26                 (i) a clearing corporation; or

27                 (ii) a person, including a bank or broker, that in  
28                 the ordinary course of its business maintains  
29                 securities accounts for others and is acting in that  
30                 capacity.

31          (15) "Security," except as otherwise provided in  
32          Section 8-103, means an obligation of an issuer or a share,  
33          participation, or other interest in an issuer or in  
34          property or an enterprise of an issuer:

35                 (i) which is represented by a security certificate  
36                 in bearer or registered form, or the transfer of which

1               may be registered upon books maintained for that  
2               purpose by or on behalf of the issuer;

3                         (ii) which is one of a class or series or by its  
4               terms is divisible into a class or series of shares,  
5               participations, interests, or obligations; and

6                         (iii) which:

7                                 (A) is, or is of a type, dealt in or traded on  
8               securities exchanges or securities markets; or

9                                 (B) is a medium for investment and by its terms  
10               expressly provides that it is a security governed  
11               by this Article.

12               (16) "Security certificate" means a certificate  
13               representing a security.

14               (17) "Security entitlement" means the rights and  
15               property interest of an entitlement holder with respect to  
16               a financial asset specified in Part 5.

17               (18) "Uncertificated security" means a security that  
18               is not represented by a certificate.

19               (b) Other definitions applying to this Article and the  
20               sections in which they appear are:

21               Appropriate person	Section 8-107
22               Control	Section 8-106
23               Delivery	Section 8-301
24               Investment company security	Section 8-103
25               Issuer	Section 8-201
26               Overissue	Section 8-210
27               Protected purchaser	Section 8-303
28               Securities account	Section 8-501

29               (c) In addition, Article 1 contains general definitions and  
30               principles of construction and interpretation applicable  
31               throughout this Article.

32               (d) The characterization of a person, business, or  
33               transaction for purposes of this Article does not determine the  
34               characterization of the person, business, or transaction for  
35               purposes of any other law, regulation, or rule.

36               (Source: P.A. 89-364, eff. 1-1-96.)

1 (810 ILCS 5/9-102) (from Ch. 26, par. 9-102)

2 Sec. 9-102. Definitions and index of definitions.

3 (a) Article 9 definitions. In this Article:

4 (1) "Accession" means goods that are physically united  
5 with other goods in such a manner that the identity of the  
6 original goods is not lost.

7 (2) "Account", except as used in "account for", means a  
8 right to payment of a monetary obligation, whether or not  
9 earned by performance, (i) for property that has been or is  
10 to be sold, leased, licensed, assigned, or otherwise  
11 disposed of, (ii) for services rendered or to be rendered,  
12 (iii) for a policy of insurance issued or to be issued,  
13 (iv) for a secondary obligation incurred or to be incurred,  
14 (v) for energy provided or to be provided, (vi) for the use  
15 or hire of a vessel under a charter or other contract,  
16 (vii) arising out of the use of a credit or charge card or  
17 information contained on or for use with the card, or  
18 (viii) as winnings in a lottery or other game of chance  
19 operated or sponsored by a State, governmental unit of a  
20 State, or person licensed or authorized to operate the game  
21 by a State or governmental unit of a State. The term  
22 includes health-care-insurance receivables. The term does  
23 not include (i) rights to payment evidenced by chattel  
24 paper or an instrument, (ii) commercial tort claims, (iii)  
25 deposit accounts, (iv) investment property, (v)  
26 letter-of-credit rights or letters of credit, or (vi)  
27 rights to payment for money or funds advanced or sold,  
28 other than rights arising out of the use of a credit or  
29 charge card or information contained on or for use with the  
30 card.

31 (3) "Account debtor" means a person obligated on an  
32 account, chattel paper, or general intangible. The term  
33 does not include persons obligated to pay a negotiable  
34 instrument, even if the instrument constitutes part of  
35 chattel paper.

1                   (4) "Accounting", except as used in "accounting for",  
2 means a record:

- 3                   (A) authenticated by a secured party;  
4                   (B) indicating the aggregate unpaid secured  
5 obligations as of a date not more than 35 days earlier  
6 or 35 days later than the date of the record; and  
7                   (C) identifying the components of the obligations  
8 in reasonable detail.

9                   (5) "Agricultural lien" means an interest, other than a  
10 security interest, in farm products:

- 11                  (A) which secures payment or performance of an  
12 obligation for goods or services furnished in  
13 connection with a debtor's farming operation;  
14                  (B) which is created by statute in favor of a  
15 person that in the ordinary course of its business  
16 furnished goods or services to a debtor in connection  
17 with a debtor's farming operation; and  
18                  (C) whose effectiveness does not depend on the  
19 person's possession of the personal property.

20                  (6) "As-extracted collateral" means:

- 21                  (A) oil, gas, or other minerals that are subject to  
22 a security interest that:  
23                      (i) is created by a debtor having an interest  
24 in the minerals before extraction; and  
25                      (ii) attaches to the minerals as extracted; or  
26                  (B) accounts arising out of the sale at the  
27 wellhead or minehead of oil, gas, or other minerals in  
28 which the debtor had an interest before extraction.

29                  (7) "Authenticate" means:

- 30                  (A) to sign; or  
31                  (B) to execute or otherwise adopt a symbol, or  
32 encrypt or similarly process a record in whole or in  
33 part, with the present intent of the authenticating  
34 person to identify the person and adopt or accept a  
35 record.

36                  (8) "Bank" means an organization that is engaged in the

1 business of banking. The term includes savings banks,  
2 savings and loan associations, credit unions, and trust  
3 companies.

4 (9) "Cash proceeds" means proceeds that are money,  
5 checks, deposit accounts, or the like.

6 (10) "Certificate of title" means a certificate of  
7 title with respect to which a statute provides for the  
8 security interest in question to be indicated on the  
9 certificate as a condition or result of the security  
10 interest's obtaining priority over the rights of a lien  
11 creditor with respect to the collateral.

12 (11) "Chattel paper" means a record or records that  
13 evidence both a monetary obligation and a security interest  
14 in specific goods, a security interest in specific goods  
15 and software used in the goods, a security interest in  
16 specific goods and license of software used in the goods, a  
17 lease of specific goods, or a lease of specified goods and  
18 a license of software used in the goods. In this paragraph,  
19 "monetary obligation" means a monetary obligation secured  
20 by the goods or owed under a lease of the goods and  
21 includes a monetary obligation with respect to software  
22 used in the goods. The term does not include (i) charters  
23 or other contracts involving the use or hire of a vessel or  
24 (ii) records that evidence a right to payment arising out  
25 of the use of a credit or charge card or information  
26 contained on or for use with the card. If a transaction is  
27 evidenced by records that include an instrument or series  
28 of instruments, the group of records taken together  
29 constitutes chattel paper.

30 (12) "Collateral" means the property subject to a  
31 security interest or agricultural lien. The term includes:

32 (A) proceeds to which a security interest  
33 attaches;

34 (B) accounts, chattel paper, payment intangibles,  
35 and promissory notes that have been sold; and

36 (C) goods that are the subject of a consignment.

1                         (13) "Commercial tort claim" means a claim arising in  
2 tort with respect to which:

3                                 (A) the claimant is an organization; or

4                                 (B) the claimant is an individual and the claim:

5   (i) arose in the course of the claimant's  
6 business or profession; and

7   (ii) does not include damages arising out of  
8 personal injury to or the death of an individual.

9                         (14) "Commodity account" means an account maintained  
10 by a commodity intermediary in which a commodity contract  
11 is carried for a commodity customer.

12                         (15) "Commodity contract" means a commodity futures  
13 contract, an option on a commodity futures contract, a  
14 commodity option, or another contract if the contract or  
15 option is:

16                                 (A) traded on or subject to the rules of a board of  
17 trade that has been designated as a contract market for  
18 such a contract pursuant to federal commodities laws;  
19 or

20                                 (B) traded on a foreign commodity board of trade,  
21 exchange, or market, and is carried on the books of a  
22 commodity intermediary for a commodity customer.

23                         (16) "Commodity customer" means a person for which a  
24 commodity intermediary carries a commodity contract on its  
25 books.

26                         (17) "Commodity intermediary" means a person that:

27                                 (A) is registered as a futures commission merchant  
28 under federal commodities law; or

29                                 (B) in the ordinary course of its business provides  
30 clearance or settlement services for a board of trade  
31 that has been designated as a contract market pursuant  
32 to federal commodities law.

33                         (18) "Communicate" means:

34                                 (A) to send a written or other tangible record;

35                                 (B) to transmit a record by any means agreed upon  
36 by the persons sending and receiving the record; or

1                         (C) in the case of transmission of a record to or  
2                         by a filing office, to transmit a record by any means  
3                         prescribed by filing-office rule.

4                         (19) "Consignee" means a merchant to which goods are  
5                         delivered in a consignment.

6                         (20) "Consignment" means a transaction, regardless of  
7                         its form, in which a person delivers goods to a merchant  
8                         for the purpose of sale and:

9                             (A) the merchant:

10                                 (i) deals in goods of that kind under a name  
11                                 other than the name of the person making delivery;

12                                 (ii) is not an auctioneer; and

13                                 (iii) is not generally known by its creditors  
14                                 to be substantially engaged in selling the goods of  
15                                 others;

16                                 (B) with respect to each delivery, the aggregate  
17                                 value of the goods is \$1,000 or more at the time of  
18                                 delivery;

19                                 (C) the goods are not consumer goods immediately  
20                                 before delivery; and

21                                 (D) the transaction does not create a security  
22                                 interest that secures an obligation.

23                         (21) "Consignor" means a person that delivers goods to  
24                         a consignee in a consignment.

25                         (22) "Consumer debtor" means a debtor in a consumer  
26                         transaction.

27                         (23) "Consumer goods" means goods that are used or  
28                         bought for use primarily for personal, family, or household  
29                         purposes.

30                         (24) "Consumer-goods transaction" means a consumer  
31                         transaction in which:

32                             (A) an individual incurs an obligation primarily  
33                                 for personal, family, or household purposes; and

34                             (B) a security interest in consumer goods secures  
35                                 the obligation.

36                         (25) "Consumer obligor" means an obligor who is an

1 individual and who incurred the obligation as part of a  
2 transaction entered into primarily for personal, family,  
3 or household purposes.

4 (26) "Consumer transaction" means a transaction in  
5 which (i) an individual incurs an obligation primarily for  
6 personal, family, or household purposes, (ii) a security  
7 interest secures the obligation, and (iii) the collateral  
8 is held or acquired primarily for personal, family, or  
9 household purposes. The term includes consumer-goods  
10 transactions.

11 (27) "Continuation statement" means an amendment of a  
12 financing statement which:

13 (A) identifies, by its file number, the initial  
14 financing statement to which it relates; and

15 (B) indicates that it is a continuation statement  
16 for, or that it is filed to continue the effectiveness  
17 of, the identified financing statement.

18 (28) "Debtor" means:

19 (A) a person having an interest, other than a  
20 security interest or other lien, in the collateral,  
21 whether or not the person is an obligor;

22 (B) a seller of accounts, chattel paper, payment  
23 intangibles, or promissory notes; or

24 (C) a consignee.

25 (29) "Deposit account" means a demand, time, savings,  
26 passbook, nonnegotiable certificates of deposit,  
27 uncertificated certificates of deposit, nontransferrable  
28 certificates of deposit, or similar account maintained  
29 with a bank. The term does not include investment property  
30 or accounts evidenced by an instrument.

31 (30) "Document" means a document of title or a receipt  
32 of the type described in Section 7-201(2).

33 (31) "Electronic chattel paper" means chattel paper  
34 evidenced by a record or records consisting of information  
35 stored in an electronic medium.

36 (32) "Encumbrance" means a right, other than an

1 ownership interest, in real property. The term includes  
2 mortgages and other liens on real property.

3 (33) "Equipment" means goods other than inventory,  
4 farm products, or consumer goods.

5 (34) "Farm products" means goods, other than standing  
6 timber, with respect to which the debtor is engaged in a  
7 farming operation and which are:

8 (A) crops grown, growing, or to be grown,

9 including:

10 (i) crops produced on trees, vines, and  
11 bushes; and

12 (ii) aquatic goods produced in aquacultural  
13 operations;

14 (B) livestock, born or unborn, including aquatic  
15 goods produced in aquacultural operations;

16 (C) supplies used or produced in a farming  
17 operation; or

18 (D) products of crops or livestock in their  
19 unmanufactured states.

20 (35) "Farming operation" means raising, cultivating,  
21 propagating, fattening, grazing, or any other farming,  
22 livestock, or aquacultural operation.

23 (36) "File number" means the number assigned to an  
24 initial financing statement pursuant to Section 9-519(a).

25 (37) "Filing office" means an office designated in  
26 Section 9-501 as the place to file a financing statement.

27 (38) "Filing-office rule" means a rule adopted  
28 pursuant to Section 9-526.

29 (39) "Financing statement" means a record or records  
30 composed of an initial financing statement and any filed  
31 record relating to the initial financing statement.

32 (40) "Fixture filing" means the filing of a financing  
33 statement covering goods that are or are to become fixtures  
34 and satisfying Section 9-502(a) and (b). The term includes  
35 the filing of a financing statement covering goods of a  
36 transmitting utility which are or are to become fixtures.

1                             (41) "Fixtures" means goods that have become so related  
2                             to particular real property that an interest in them arises  
3                             under real property law.

4                             (42) "General intangible" means any personal property,  
5                             including things in action, other than accounts, chattel  
6                             paper, commercial tort claims, deposit accounts,  
7                             documents, goods, instruments, investment property,  
8                             letter-of-credit rights, letters of credit, money, and  
9                             oil, gas, or other minerals before extraction. The term  
10                            includes payment intangibles and software.

11                            (43) (Reserved.) "~~Good faith~~" means honesty in fact and  
12                             ~~the observance of reasonable commercial standards of fair~~  
13                             dealing.

14                            (44) "Goods" means all things that are movable when a  
15                             security interest attaches. The term includes (i)  
16                             fixtures, (ii) standing timber that is to be cut and  
17                             removed under a conveyance or contract for sale, (iii) the  
18                             unborn young of animals, (iv) crops grown, growing, or to  
19                             be grown, even if the crops are produced on trees, vines,  
20                             or bushes, and (v) manufactured homes. The term also  
21                             includes a computer program embedded in goods and any  
22                             supporting information provided in connection with a  
23                             transaction relating to the program if (i) the program is  
24                             associated with the goods in such a manner that it  
25                             customarily is considered part of the goods, or (ii) by  
26                             becoming the owner of the goods, a person acquires a right  
27                             to use the program in connection with the goods. The term  
28                             does not include a computer program embedded in goods that  
29                             consist solely of the medium in which the program is  
30                             embedded. The term also does not include accounts, chattel  
31                             paper, commercial tort claims, deposit accounts,  
32                             documents, general intangibles, instruments, investment  
33                             property, letter-of-credit rights, letters of credit,  
34                             money, or oil, gas, or other minerals before extraction.

35                            (45) "Governmental unit" means a subdivision, agency,  
36                             department, county, parish, municipality, or other unit of

1       the government of the United States, a State, or a foreign  
2       country. The term includes an organization having a  
3       separate corporate existence if the organization is  
4       eligible to issue debt on which interest is exempt from  
5       income taxation under the laws of the United States.

6                 (46) "Health-care-insurance receivable" means an  
7       interest in or claim under a policy of insurance which is a  
8       right to payment of a monetary obligation for health-care  
9       goods or services provided.

10                (47) "Instrument" means a negotiable instrument or any  
11       other writing that evidences a right to the payment of a  
12       monetary obligation, is not itself a security agreement or  
13       lease, and is of a type that in ordinary course of business  
14       is transferred by delivery with any necessary indorsement  
15       or assignment. The term does not include (i) investment  
16       property, (ii) letters of credit, (iii) nonnegotiable  
17       certificates of deposit, (iv) uncertificated certificates  
18       of deposit, (v) nontransferrable certificates of deposit,  
19       or (vi) writings that evidence a right to payment arising  
20       out of the use of a credit or charge card or information  
21       contained on or for use with the card.

22                (48) "Inventory" means goods, other than farm  
23       products, which:

- 24                         (A) are leased by a person as lessor;
- 25                         (B) are held by a person for sale or lease or to be  
26       furnished under a contract of service;
- 27                         (C) are furnished by a person under a contract of  
28       service; or
- 29                         (D) consist of raw materials, work in process, or  
30       materials used or consumed in a business.

31                 (49) "Investment property" means a security, whether  
32       certificated or uncertificated, security entitlement,  
33       securities account, commodity contract, or commodity  
34       account.

35                 (50) "Jurisdiction of organization", with respect to a  
36       registered organization, means the jurisdiction under

1 whose law the organization is organized.

2 (51) "Letter-of-credit right" means a right to payment  
3 or performance under a letter of credit, whether or not the  
4 beneficiary has demanded or is at the time entitled to  
5 demand payment or performance. The term does not include  
6 the right of a beneficiary to demand payment or performance  
7 under a letter of credit.

8 (52) "Lien creditor" means:

9 (A) a creditor that has acquired a lien on the  
10 property involved by attachment, levy, or the like;

11 (B) an assignee for benefit of creditors from the  
12 time of assignment;

13 (C) a trustee in bankruptcy from the date of the  
14 filing of the petition; or

15 (D) a receiver in equity from the time of  
16 appointment.

17 (53) "Manufactured home" means a structure,  
18 transportable in one or more sections, which, in the  
19 traveling mode, is eight body feet or more in width or 40  
20 body feet or more in length, or, when erected on site, is  
21 320 or more square feet, and which is built on a permanent  
22 chassis and designed to be used as a dwelling with or  
23 without a permanent foundation when connected to the  
24 required utilities, and includes the plumbing, heating,  
25 air-conditioning, and electrical systems contained  
26 therein. The term includes any structure that meets all of  
27 the requirements of this paragraph except the size  
28 requirements and with respect to which the manufacturer  
29 voluntarily files a certification required by the United  
30 States Secretary of Housing and Urban Development and  
31 complies with the standards established under Title 42 of  
32 the United States Code.

33 (54) "Manufactured-home transaction" means a secured  
34 transaction:

35 (A) that creates a purchase-money security  
36 interest in a manufactured home, other than a

1                   manufactured home held as inventory; or

2                   (B) in which a manufactured home, other than a  
3                   manufactured home held as inventory, is the primary  
4                   collateral.

5                   (55) "Mortgage" means a consensual interest in real  
6                   property, including fixtures, which secures payment or  
7                   performance of an obligation.

8                   (56) "New debtor" means a person that becomes bound as  
9                   debtor under Section 9-203(d) by a security agreement  
10                  previously entered into by another person.

11                  (57) "New value" means (i) money, (ii) money's worth in  
12                  property, services, or new credit, or (iii) release by a  
13                  transferee of an interest in property previously  
14                  transferred to the transferee. The term does not include an  
15                  obligation substituted for another obligation.

16                  (58) "Noncash proceeds" means proceeds other than cash  
17                  proceeds.

18                  (59) "Obligor" means a person that, with respect to an  
19                  obligation secured by a security interest in or an  
20                  agricultural lien on the collateral, (i) owes payment or  
21                  other performance of the obligation, (ii) has provided  
22                  property other than the collateral to secure payment or  
23                  other performance of the obligation, or (iii) is otherwise  
24                  accountable in whole or in part for payment or other  
25                  performance of the obligation. The term does not include  
26                  issuers or nominated persons under a letter of credit.

27                  (60) "Original debtor", except as used in Section  
28                  9-310(c), means a person that, as debtor, entered into a  
29                  security agreement to which a new debtor has become bound  
30                  under Section 9-203(d).

31                  (61) "Payment intangible" means a general intangible  
32                  under which the account debtor's principal obligation is a  
33                  monetary obligation.

34                  (62) "Person related to", with respect to an  
35                  individual, means:

36                   (A) the spouse of the individual;

1                                 (B) a brother, brother-in-law, sister, or  
2 sister-in-law of the individual;

3                                 (C) an ancestor or lineal descendant of the  
4 individual or the individual's spouse; or

5                                 (D) any other relative, by blood or marriage, of  
6 the individual or the individual's spouse who shares  
7 the same home with the individual.

8                                 (63) "Person related to", with respect to an  
9 organization, means:

10                                 (A) a person directly or indirectly controlling,  
11 controlled by, or under common control with the  
12 organization;

13                                 (B) an officer or director of, or a person  
14 performing similar functions with respect to, the  
15 organization;

16                                 (C) an officer or director of, or a person  
17 performing similar functions with respect to, a person  
18 described in subparagraph (A);

19                                 (D) the spouse of an individual described in  
20 subparagraph (A), (B), or (C); or

21                                 (E) an individual who is related by blood or  
22 marriage to an individual described in subparagraph  
23 (A), (B), (C), or (D) and shares the same home with the  
24 individual.

25                                 (64) "Proceeds", except as used in Section 9-609(b),  
26 means the following property:

27                                 (A) whatever is acquired upon the sale, lease,  
28 license, exchange, or other disposition of collateral;

29                                 (B) whatever is collected on, or distributed on  
30 account of, collateral;

31                                 (C) rights arising out of collateral;

32                                 (D) to the extent of the value of collateral,  
33 claims arising out of the loss, nonconformity, or  
34 interference with the use of, defects or infringement  
35 of rights in, or damage to, the collateral; or

36                                 (E) to the extent of the value of collateral and to

1           the extent payable to the debtor or the secured party,  
2           insurance payable by reason of the loss or  
3           nonconformity of, defects or infringement of rights  
4           in, or damage to, the collateral.

5           (65) "Promissory note" means an instrument that  
6           evidences a promise to pay a monetary obligation, does not  
7           evidence an order to pay, and does not contain an  
8           acknowledgment by a bank that the bank has received for  
9           deposit a sum of money or funds.

10          (66) "Proposal" means a record authenticated by a  
11         secured party which includes the terms on which the secured  
12         party is willing to accept collateral in full or partial  
13         satisfaction of the obligation it secures pursuant to  
14         Sections 9-620, 9-621, and 9-622.

15          (67) "Public-finance transaction" means a secured  
16         transaction in connection with which:

17           (A) debt securities are issued;

18           (B) all or a portion of the securities issued have  
19           an initial stated maturity of at least 20 years; and

20           (C) the debtor, obligor, secured party, account  
21         debtor or other person obligated on collateral,  
22         assignor or assignee of a secured obligation, or  
23         assignor or assignee of a security interest is a State  
24         or a governmental unit of a State.

25          (68) "Pursuant to commitment", with respect to an  
26         advance made or other value given by a secured party, means  
27         pursuant to the secured party's obligation, whether or not  
28         a subsequent event of default or other event not within the  
29         secured party's control has relieved or may relieve the  
30         secured party from its obligation.

31          (69) "Record", except as used in "for record", "of  
32         record", "record or legal title", and "record owner", means  
33         information that is inscribed on a tangible medium or which  
34         is stored in an electronic or other medium and is  
35         retrievable in perceivable form.

36          (70) "Registered organization" means an organization

1       organized solely under the law of a single State or the  
2       United States and as to which the State or the United  
3       States must maintain a public record showing the  
4       organization to have been organized.

5                 (71) "Secondary obligor" means an obligor to the extent  
6       that:

7                         (A) the obligor's obligation is secondary; or  
8                         (B) the obligor has a right of recourse with  
9       respect to an obligation secured by collateral against  
10      the debtor, another obligor, or property of either.

11                 (72) "Secured party" means:

12                         (A) a person in whose favor a security interest is  
13       created or provided for under a security agreement,  
14       whether or not any obligation to be secured is  
15       outstanding;

16                         (B) a person that holds an agricultural lien;

17                         (C) a consignor;

18                         (D) a person to which accounts, chattel paper,  
19       payment intangibles, or promissory notes have been  
20       sold;

21                         (E) a trustee, indenture trustee, agent,  
22       collateral agent, or other representative in whose  
23       favor a security interest or agricultural lien is  
24       created or provided for; or

25                         (F) a person that holds a security interest arising  
26       under Section 2-401, 2-505, 2-711(3), 2A-508(5),  
27       4-210, or 5-118.

28                 (73) "Security agreement" means an agreement that  
29       creates or provides for a security interest.

30                 (74) "Send", in connection with a record or  
31       notification, means:

32                         (A) to deposit in the mail, deliver for  
33       transmission, or transmit by any other usual means of  
34       communication, with postage or cost of transmission  
35       provided for, addressed to any address reasonable  
36       under the circumstances; or

1                             (B) to cause the record or notification to be  
2 received within the time that it would have been  
3 received if properly sent under subparagraph (A).

4                             (75) "Software" means a computer program and any  
5 supporting information provided in connection with a  
6 transaction relating to the program. The term does not  
7 include a computer program that is included in the  
8 definition of goods.

9                             (76) "State" means a State of the United States, the  
10 District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin  
11 Islands, or any territory or insular possession subject to  
12 the jurisdiction of the United States.

13                             (77) "Supporting obligation" means a letter-of-credit  
14 right or secondary obligation that supports the payment or  
15 performance of an account, chattel paper, a document, a  
16 general intangible, an instrument, or investment property.

17                             (78) "Tangible chattel paper" means chattel paper  
18 evidenced by a record or records consisting of information  
19 that is inscribed on a tangible medium.

20                             (79) "Termination statement" means an amendment of a  
21 financing statement which:

22                                 (A) identifies, by its file number, the initial  
23 financing statement to which it relates; and

24                                 (B) indicates either that it is a termination  
25 statement or that the identified financing statement  
26 is no longer effective.

27                             (80) "Transmitting utility" means a person primarily  
28 engaged in the business of:

29                                 (A) operating a railroad, subway, street railway,  
30 or trolley bus;

31                                 (B) transmitting communications electrically,  
32 electromagnetically, or by light;

33                                 (C) transmitting goods by pipeline or sewer; or

34                                 (D) transmitting or producing and transmitting  
35 electricity, steam, gas, or water.

36                             (b) Definitions in other Articles. The following

1 definitions in other Articles apply to this Article:

2 "Applicant". Section 5-102.

3 "Beneficiary". Section 5-102.

4 "Broker". Section 8-102.

5 "Certificated security". Section 8-102.

6 "Check". Section 3-104.

7 "Clearing corporation". Section 8-102.

8 "Contract for sale". Section 2-106.

9 "Customer". Section 4-104.

10 "Entitlement holder". Section 8-102.

11 "Financial asset". Section 8-102.

12 "Holder in due course". Section 3-302.

13 "Issuer" (with respect to a letter of credit or  
14 letter-of-credit right). Section 5-102.

15 "Issuer" (with respect to a security). Section 8-201.

16 "Lease". Section 2A-103.

17 "Lease agreement". Section 2A-103.

18 "Lease contract". Section 2A-103.

19 "Leasehold interest". Section 2A-103.

20 "Lessee". Section 2A-103.

21 "Lessee in ordinary course of business". Section 2A-103.

22 "Lessor". Section 2A-103.

23 "Lessor's residual interest". Section 2A-103.

24 "Letter of credit". Section 5-102.

25 "Merchant". Section 2-104.

26 "Negotiable instrument". Section 3-104.

27 "Nominated person". Section 5-102.

28 "Note". Section 3-104.

29 "Proceeds of a letter of credit". Section 5-114.

30 "Prove". Section 3-103.

31 "Sale". Section 2-106.

32 "Securities account". Section 8-501.

33 "Securities intermediary". Section 8-102.

34 "Security". Section 8-102.

35 "Security certificate". Section 8-102.

36 "Security entitlement". Section 8-102.

1       "Uncertificated security". Section 8-102.

2           (c) Article 1 definitions and principles. Article 1  
3 contains general definitions and principles of construction  
4 and interpretation applicable throughout this Article.

5       (Source: P.A. 91-893, eff. 7-1-01; 92-819, eff. 8-21-02.)